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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

"Boss" McLaughlin, Vidler, and Delaney removed from Chicago to St. Paul, May 21, 1934. Investigation conducted at Irving Hotel, Chicago, and Spring Valley, Illinois regarding Dr. Joseph P. Moran. Apartment of Roy Gray, 626 Waveland Avenue, Chicago, examined on May 2, 1934. Numerous articles secured show addresses through which he might be located. Many have been checked to date without results. Numerous telephone calls being checked.

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The following information is being reported by Special Agent R. D. Brown, relative to preliminary prosecutive action in the removal from Chicago, Illinois to St. Paul, Minnesota of John J. McLaughlin, Senior, John J. McLaughlin, Junior, William A. Vidler, and Philip Delaney.

Report of Special Agent K. R. McIntire dated May 16, 1954 records the prosecutive action up to and including May 15, 1954. On pages 75, 76, and 77.

On May 17, 1954, a hearing on the writ of habeas corpus before Federal Judge Philip J. Sullivan, Chicago, Illinois, was adjourned until May 21, 1954. On May 21, 1954, the hearing on the habeas corpus proceedings was convened at 11 A. M. and at the conclusion of the hearing, Judge Sullivan dismissed the habeas corpus petitions for the release of subjects, but permitted defense attorneys until 2 P. M. of that date to file writs of error, should they so desire. At 2 P. M. the hearing was again convened, but writs of error had not been filed by defense attorneys and Federal Judge Sullivan then signed the orders of removal of all four subjects. Federal Judge Sullivan requested the United States Marshal to refrain from removing John J. McLaughlin, Junior, to St. Paul, Minnesota until 11 A. M. on the following date, May 22, 1954. On the afternoon of May 21, 1954, bond was furnished in the amount of \$5000.00 for John J. McLaughlin, Junior, and he was released. His bond calls for his appearance in St. Paul, Minnesota when his presence is desired in Federal court.

At 11:45 P. M. May 21, 1954, the United States Marshal of Chicago, Illinois removed Subjects McLaughlin, Senior, Vidler, and Delaney from Chicago, Illinois to St. Paul, Minnesota, arriving there at 8:40 A. M. on the following date.

On April 23, 1934, Special Agent E. L. Richmond, accompanied by Special Agent (A) A. E. Sweeny, called at the Howard Trust and Savings Bank, 1737 Howard Avenue, Chicago, at the time the bank opened, 9:00 A.M.

Mr. D. K. Hall was interviewed by Agents and stated that he is the President of the bank, but that he knew nothing of the money, which was later identified as Bremer ransom money, being changed at his bank the preceding day. Mr. Hall introduced Agents to Mr. Vincent W. Becking, Cashier of the Howard Trust and Savings Bank.

Mr. Becking stated that one of the tellers of the bank, a Mr. Chester Hooker, informed him after he, Becking, had received a call from the Chicago Division Office relative to Bremer ransom money; that he, Mr. Hooker, had, at about 9:15 A.M., been requested to change a number of five dollar bills into bills of larger denomination. These bills were still in packets in the drawer of Hooker's cage. Becking then checked these bills against the list of Bremer ransom bills furnished to the Bank. Becking stated that \$259.00 of these five dollar bills checked as being bills listed on the Bremer list.

Mr. Becking also stated that Hooker told him that he had cashed \$1,350.00 in five bills. Becking stated that ten of these bills had been mingled with the other currency but that \$260.00 of them, or \$1,300.00, which he had checked had been segregated and would be kept by the bank until further notice from this office.

Agents interviewed Mr. Chester Hooker, teller at the Howard Trust & Savings Bank. Mr. Hooker stated that at about 9:05 A.M., on Monday, April 22, 1934, a man presented a pack containing two hundred five dollar bills at his window and asked for one hundred dollar bills in exchange. Hooker did not have that many one hundred dollar bills, but had one one thousand dollar bill, which he gave the man. The man then gave him another pack containing two hundred five dollar bills and asked that they be changed. Hooker cashed \$350.00 of this package by giving the man three one hundred dollar bills and one fifty dollar bill. Hooker then put these five dollar bills in a drawer in his cage, where they remained for about two hours, until Mr. Becking told Hooker of the call from the Chicago Division Office, at which time Mr. Becking took these bills and checked them with the Bremer ransom list. At the time these bills were checked, only \$1,300.00 could be found.

Mr. Becking told Agents that one \$5.00 of this \$1,300.00 did not check with the Bremer list. This was a Five Dollar Federal Reserve Note, of the Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis, No. 106318661A.

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Agents then procured the packet containing the \$1,500.00 in five dollar bills and Agent Sweeny read the numbers of these bills, while Agent Richmond checked the numbers corresponding on the list furnished by the Chicago Division Office. Of the \$1,500.00, all of the bills, except one, checked and that one is as above stated, No. IO6318861A, of the Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Following is a list of the five dollar Federal Reserve notes, on the Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis, which were checked by Agents:-

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| IO0069077A | IO4644307A | IO5584176A |
| IO0069649A | IO4732994A | IO5589150A |
| IO0071973A | IO4734057A | IO5598504A |
| IO0378236A | IO4742822A | IO5619356A |
| IO0493156A | IO4748877A | IO5640727A |
| IO2687436A | IO4778964A | IO5658364A |
| IO2867687A | IO4827685A | IO5665180A |
| IO3057223A | IO4833307A | IO5670535A |
| IO3265758A | IO4894117A | IO5679506A |
| IO3345685A | IO5062181A | IO5684983A |
| IO3508066A | IO5095980A | IO5695164A |
| IO3545827A | IO5098638A | IO5701009A |
| IO3612796A | IO5105903A | IO5705313A |
| IO3629428A | IO5132262A | IO5708712A |
| IO3644812A | IO5190939A | IO5713014A |
| IO3952474A | IO5196636A | IO5717379A |
| IO4141764A | IO5234203A | IO5722763A |
| IO4148885A | IO5268321A | IO5740061A |
| IO4143409A | IO5269308A | IO5762405A |
| IO4148671A | IO5270016A | IO5779445A |
| IO4227880A | IO5285321A | IO5805251A |
| IO4311476A | IO5294029A | IO5812006A |
| IO4315410A | IO5345270A | IO5815850A |
| IO4379580A | IO5347326A | IO5822112A |
| IO4395837A | IO5354469A | IO5823764A |
| IO4462913A | IO5355851A | IO5826873A |
| IO4474439A | IO5355852A | IO5827141A |
| IO4485870A | IO5428014A | IO5839417A |
| IO4497801A | IO5491924A | IO5841968A |
| IO4500142A | IO5499911A | IO5843046A |
| IO4528801A | IO5502359A | IO5845176A |
| IO4546773A | IO5507442A | IO5858796A |
| IO4551661A | IO5511224A | IO5863865A |
| IO4556110A | IO5533630A | IO5864264A |
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I05921654A
I05927043A
I05942385A
I05954305A
I05955761A
I05970005A
I06040866A
I06060623A
I06063440A
I06070246A
I06074488A
I06081220A
I06088627A
I06090621A
I06092779A
I06100091A
I06100472A
I06102703A
I06106497A
I06111340A
I06113257A
I06113763A
I06120862A
I06122574A
I06122602A
I06123346A
I06125093A
I06128096A
I06128212A
I06128105A
I06128844A
I06133615A
I06134044A
I06135132A
I06140834A

I06144330A
I06144659A
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I06147894A
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I06149735A
I06150048A
I06153641A
I06156652A
I06160593A
I06161107A
I06163861A
I06164061A
I06164772A
I06166452A
I06170691A
I06171633A
I06176011A
I06177764A
I06178948A
I06237067A
I06237758A
I06237988A
I06238078A
I06243194A
I06244090A
I06244580A
I06245434A
I06246786A
I06254346A
I06254714A
I06255568A
I06256388A
I06256405A
I06260819A
I06261275A
I06261963A
I06263293A
I06264628A
I06264783A
I06271590A
I06274202A
I06275261A
I06277329A
I06277985A

I06278677A
I06279559A
I06279696A
I06284060A
I06284388A
I06285198A
I06285223A
I06286997A
I06292894A
I06293047A
I06297408A
I06297436A
I06297758A
I06304509A
I06304636A
I06312307A
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I06326381A
I06326418A
I06327045A
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I06339170A
I06340670A
I06343263A
I06344702A
I06350527A
I06351116A
I06352928A
I06354510A
I06356745A
I06357869A
I06358285A
I06358511A
I06361027A
I06362112A
I06362432A
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I06362738A
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I06368377A
I06368469A
I06368522A
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I06370071A
I06370110A

I06370561A
I06379403A
I06379911A
I06388423A
I06390232A
I06390281A
I06390700A
I06390921A

These notes are now in the vault of the Howard Trust and Savings Bank, where they are being held and segregated until further orders from the Division.

Mr. Chester Hooker gave the following description of the man who passed the bills at the Howard Trust and Savings Bank:

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| Height: | 5 ft. 9 or 10 in. |
| Weight: | 180 lbs. |
| Build: | Stout |
| Eyes: | Horn rimmed glasses worn; color of eyes not known. |
| Hair: | Gray, where not covered by hat. |
| Complexion: | Ruddy, smooth shaven. |
| Voice: | Soft |
| Nationality: | Probably German descent |

Agents then covered this bank until 3:00 P.M., Agent Sweeney waiting in a flower shop where by a prearranged call, Mr. Hooker could summon him if the man reappeared and Agent Richmond waited at a desk in one of the private offices of the bank.

On the following day, Agent Richmond went to the bank alone, where he took a station in Zender's Florist Shop during the hours from 9:00 A.M. until 3:00 P.M.

On Thursday, April 27, 1934, Agent Richmond again was stationed in Zender's Florist Shop where he remained until about 1:00 P.M., at which time he was called by Special Agent T. E. Billings and instructed to bring in Mr. Hooker to identify a man.

Mr. Hoeker observed WILLIAM E. VIDLER in the Chicago Division Office and stated he believed Vidler to be the man who had passed the money in question at the Howard Trust and Savings Bank.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent M. F. Glynn on May 2nd and 3rd, 1934, in an effort to corroborate Philip J. Delaney's statement relative to his having exchanged \$24,000.00 ransom money at the Mutual National Bank, 7844 South Halsted Street, Chicago, Illinois.

The following tellers employed at the Mutual National Bank, above mentioned, were interviewed:

Stanley Houle,
1553 W. 94th Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

Harry Stocks,
737 E. 80th Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

Otto Rodemann,
7812 Normal Avenue,
Chicago, Illinois.

John W. Adams,
9914 Winston Avenue,
Chicago, Illinois.

Charlotte Schnoor,
7749 Aberdeen Street,
Chicago, Illinois.

Miss Ingles Erickson and
Marie Brinkman,
Savings Department.

All of the above persons deny having exchanged any of the \$24,000.00 ransom money into larger denominations for Delaney. Each of the above individuals were questioned separately in the presence of Mr. Korthauer, Vice-President, and John J. Lyons, Assistant Cashier, Mutual National Bank.

After the above interviews were conducted, agent called on Mr. Delaney at the County Jail, Chicago, Illinois, and asked him which of the tellers above mentioned exchanged the money for him. He stated that he was not acquainted with any of the tellers and that he believed the teller in the second cage on the left hand side of the bank from the entrance was the party or individual who exchanged the money for him. Delaney declined on two different occasions to accompany agent

to the Mutual National Bank for the purpose of identifying the teller who exchanged the money for him. He stated that he did not care to get any of the tellers or clerks into trouble and at one time during the questioning stated that he believed that when he had the money exchanged he was of the opinion that the teller who exchanged the money for him was "fixed".

In company with Special Agent (A) A. H. Johnson further investigation was made at the Mutual National Bank in an effort to determine which of the tellers actually exchanged the money for Delaney. Agent Johnson carefully examined the records of the various tellers and same failed to reveal any such transactions as narrated in Delaney's statement.

During the investigation all of the currency both in the tellers' cages and in the bank vault was checked and it was found that the following five dollar bills were found in the various tellers' cages:-

I00663177-A
I00061338-A
I00056421A
I00469065-A
*I00047131-A
**I00299264-A
**I00319957-A
*I00598132-A
I00405296-A
I00237071-A
I00408042-A
I00067200-A
I00454602-A
I00325378-A

* It was determined that these bills were received and deposited by the bank from the Franks Department Store, 813 W. 79th Street, Chicago, Illinois.

** It was determined from investigation that these bills were received in a deposit by the bank from the Metropolitan Life Insurance Co., 6908 South Halsted, Chicago, Illinois.

It was impossible to determine the identity of the depositors of the remainder of the bills, above described, and it was the opinion of Mr. John J. Lyons, Assistant Cashier of the bank, that the bills in question were received in deposits.

Mr. John J. Lyons, Assistant Cashier, was of the opinion that all of his tellers were honest and was not willing to believe that Delaney had exchanged the ransom money at his bank, as indicated in his, Delaney's, statement. It is very possible that if the teller who exchanged the money for Delaney was aware that the money was ransom money, that on receiving same he immediately paid it out to the various customers of the bank, as all of the tellers in the bank are both receiving and paying tellers. It also appears that the ransom money must have been circulated in and around 78th and Halsted Streets, in Chicago, in view of the fact that several of the bills are now being returned to the bank in deposits. It should be noted that none of the ten dollar bills was found in the possession of the Mutual National Bank.

Special Agent E. B. Montgomery, San Francisco Office, communicated with Special Agent V. W. Peterson by telephone at 10:25 P.M., May 2nd, 1934. He advised that telephone number, Capital 2537, Sacramento, is the telephone number of Frank S. Parise, who operates a detective agency. Parise was formerly in the Prohibition Unit and worked in Sacramento and Reno. The man who sent the wire to the Delaney at Chicago and who signed his name as Morris, apparently is a brother of the Phillip Delaney who is in custody in Chicago. Morris Delaney is a clerk for Parise's detective agency. His wife, Helen, and himself reside with Parise in the same home. The wife of Phillip Delaney was Secretary and Manager of the Parise-Moulton Detective Agency. Either the Delaney who is in custody in Chicago, or Morris Delaney, who now resides in Sacramento, was formerly in the Prohibition Unit. Parise has been involved in a lot of trouble with the Prohibition Unit and they have a long record concerning him. The reputation of Parise in Sacramento is very bad and they say he will do anything.

Special Agent in Charge Vetterli phoned the above information to the San Francisco Office. He further stated that Parise is friendly with McKay and Graham of Reno, who are involved in the Frisch kidnaping case. Vetterli stated that if the Chicago Office desires to obtain further information that he can be reached at the Hotel Californian, Sacramento, until he returns to the San Francisco Office some time tomorrow. In the event it is impossible to reach him at the Hotel Californian in Sacramento his whereabouts may be determined through the San Francisco Office.

Mr. J. O'Brien, Woodlawn Body Company, 6689 Cottage Grove Avenue, Chicago, Illinois (telephone 3621) communicated with Special Agent V. W. Peterson by telephone on the morning of May 1, 1934, at which time he provided the following information:

He stated that one FRANK J. PRINDVILLE is the brains for McLaughlin. He stated that Prindville was formerly associated with Tommy Holden and Francis Keating, and that he was recently tried in the City Court for operation of a confidence game. The name of the person whom he defrauded on that occasion is not known to Mr. O'Brien but he stated it was some real estate concern at 55th and Merrill Avenue. Prindville is alleged to have resided at the Pershing Hotel until approximately two or three weeks ago, at which time he is supposed to have departed for California. It is stated that Prindville was in Chicago this past winter, at which time he disposed of a large amount of "hot" money and bonds. Presumably a part of the money consisted of the ransom money. O'Brien stated that Delaney is well aware of McLaughlin's connection with Prindville, and that the information provided by Mr. O'Brien can be further developed by questioning Delaney. McLaughlin, Delaney and Prindville are alleged to have frequently visited the business place of Gordon Hoffman, real estate dealer, 96th and Ashland Avenue in Chicago. It is believed that Hoffman can provide information of value to this investigation.

The following description was obtained from O'Brien:

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| Name: | FRANK J. PRINDVILLE |
| Age: | 40 years |
| Height: | 5 feet 6 inches. |
| Weight: | 155 pounds. |
| Wears horn rimmed glasses; flashy dresser. | |
| Complexion: | Light. |
| Eyes: | Blue |
| Hair: | Light brown, turning gray |
| Build: | Stocky |
| Peculiarities: | Always grinning |

Special Agent S. K. McKee has been assigned to interview O'Brien, informant in this case, and also to contact Gordon Hoffman at 96th and Ashland Avenue, who is supposed to have information of value with reference to Prindville. Agent Brown will question Delaney thoroughly relative to Prindville.

James T. O'Brian, 6629 Cottage Grove Avenue, Chicago, was interviewed by Special Agent S. E. McKee on May 3rd, 1934. He stated that the Gordon Hoffman for whom Frank J. Prindeville formerly worked operates the Hoffman Chevrolet Company at 92nd Street and South Ashland Avenue, and that Prindeville worked for this concern from about August, 1933, until about November, 1933, as a sales manager. He stated that the alleged victim of Prindeville in a confidence game was located at 75th Street and Merrill Avenue. O'Brian was unable to furnish the name of this person.

O'Brian stated he had known Prindeville for some ten years and that prior to the conviction of Francis Keating and Thomas Holden on a mail robbery charge, he had seen Prindeville with these persons at a used car establishment which was then located at 6350 Cottage Grove Avenue. O'Brian related that Prindeville left Chicago about eight years ago and remained out of the city until last summer, at which time he returned and went to work for the Hoffman Chevrolet Company.

He stated that about three months ago, because of some difficulty with his employers, Prindeville left the city and went to California with a woman named Brown; that Prindeville's wife learned of his location and went to California and brought him back to Chicago, following which they had living quarters at the Pershing Hotel. It was stated that Prindeville again disappeared about three weeks ago; that his wife does not know where he is and feels very bitterly towards him because of the treatment she has received at his hands. O'Brian stated that Mrs. Prindeville is on the "outs" with her husband and would be in the mood to tell all she knows about him. O'Brian furnished the telephone number of Mrs. Prindeville as Cedarcrest 3624. It was also stated that at the time Prindeville recently disappeared, he skipped his bill at the Pershing Hotel and his baggage and personal effects are presently held by the hotel.

O'Brian also said that Prindeville is known to T. G. Callaghan head of the United States Secret Service, Chicago, Illinois.

With respect to "Boss" McLaughlin and Phillip Delaney, O'Brian advised that these two individuals about five years ago operates a saloon on the 4200 block of Halsted Street known as the Horn Cafe. O'Brian also said he believes Phillip Delaney has served a liquor sentence at Omaha, Nebraska.

Gordon Hoffman, manager of the Hoffman Chevrolet Company, 9220 South Ashland Avenue, when interviewed advised he employed Frank J. Prindeville as sales manager of his organization on or about August 1st, 1933. He stated the only knowledge he had of Prindeville's prior

activities was his own statement to the effect that he had been connected at one time with the Sarf Stutz Company. He stated that he made inquiry of the Stutz Company and was told that Prinderville was an exceptionally good salesman. It was stated that during the time Prinderville worked as sales manager, he, Hoffman, found it necessary to be away from the company headquarters most of the time, and for that reason Prinderville handled the office affairs of the company; that after he had been with the company about two or three months, it was learned, through complaints made by customers, that Prinderville had been embezzling funds received through sales; that he was confronted with this matter and for several days drank very heavily and during the first part of November, 1933, he disappeared. It was stated that his wife located him in Los Angeles, California, where he was living with a Mrs. Marion Brown, the wife of one Brown, who is connected with the Tivoli Theatre located in the 6300 Block of Cottage Grove Avenue. It was stated that Mrs. Prinderville persuaded him to return with her to Chicago, where they lived for a short time at the Pershing Hotel; further, that after the Prindervilles had been at the Pershing Hotel for a short while, Mrs. Brown came to the hotel and told Prinderville that he could either go away with her or spend the rest of his life in the penitentiary. According to Mr. Hoffman, this statement came from Mrs. Prinderville, and her husband did go away with Mrs. Brown at that time.

Hoffman was asked for information regarding the residence address of Mrs. Prinderville, and he stated she lived at 94th Street and Stony Island Avenue with a brother-in-law, whose name is Stanley Houle.

Mr. Hoffman was asked for information regarding possible associations between Prinderville, "Boss" McLaughlin and Phil Delaney, and he stated that the names of McLaughlin and Delaney were familiar to him but he could not place the men. Following interview with H. B. O'Donnell, a salesman at the Hoffman Chevrolet Company, Mr. Hoffman was able to place both McLaughlin and Delaney and advised that he remembered both of these men having visited with Prinderville during the time of his employment at the automobile company.

H. B. O'Donnell, salesman for Hoffman Chevrolet Company, upon interview with respect to Prinderville, "Boss" McLaughlin and Phil Delaney, stated that while Prinderville was sales manager he was visited from time to time by both McLaughlin and Phil Delaney. He stated he could not say just how often these two men visited Prinderville but that he knows they came to see him quite a number of times. In this connection O'Donnell said that neither McLaughlin nor Delaney ever had any automobile dealings

with the Hoffman Chevrolet Company, and that the nature of their visits with Prindeville would, therefore, of necessity have to be of a personal nature.

O'Donnell said he first met Phil Delaney in about 1924, at which time Delaney and his brother, Morris Delaney, were operating a warehouse at 59th and States Streets. O'Donnell said that he operated a Paige sales agency during that period, and that Phil Delaney used to buy cars from him. He said he first became acquainted with McLaughlin in about 1926 at a used car lot which he, O'Donnell, ran at 64th Street and Cottage Grove Avenue. O'Donnell said that he had seen McLaughlin from time to time but had never had any business dealings with him.

During the above interview with H. B. O'Donnell, it was learned that although there had been no business dealings between the Hoffman Chevrolet Company and Phillip Delaney, that Morris Delaney, brother of Phillip, had a Packard 7-passenger limousine financed through the Hoffman Chevrolet Company, and in this connection it had been necessary to repossess the car. O'Donnell said this car bore California license plates and explained this by saying that Morris Delaney formerly lived in California.

With further respect to Phillip Delaney, O'Donnell advised that Morris and Phillip Delaney some time ago operates a saloon located on Halsted Street between 68th and 69th Streets. It is noted that in this vicinity the Mutual National Bank is located.

Following the interviews above set out, Gordon Hoffman informed that he was of the understanding that Frank Prindeville at one time operated a Stutz agency on a partnership basis with Thomas Holden. He advised that he could not furnish the basis for this statement, merely stating he had that understanding.

Efforts will be made to contact and interview Mrs. Prindeville for such information as she can furnish regarding not only her husband but "Boss" McLaughlin and Phil Delaney.

On May 11, 1934, William E. Vidler was reinterviewed at the Cook County Jail by Special Agents K. R. McIntire and R. D. Brown. The information furnished in his signed statement was discussed with him again. He admitted that the party called Phil in said statement is Philip Delaney, who is being held as a defendant in this case, and that he did not know Delaney prior to the dealing in money which proved to be Bremer money.

In his signed statement on page three, Vidler stated that on several occasions he, Phil and McLaughlin would drive to the south side of Chicago, where Phil would park near 79th and Halsted, would be gone for about one half hour, would return and give an envelope to McLaughlin, without saying anything. On this point no information of value could be secured from Vidler. He at all times expressed ignorance of the point to which Delaney had gone. He advised that McLaughlin at no time confided in him, or in Delaney in his presence.

Vidler stated that he has known McLaughlin, Sr., for about seven or eight years, that he met the latter through a casual friend, name not disclosed; that he had very little to do with McLaughlin at any time until about two or three years ago, when a friend of Vidler was discharged from the Chicago Police force, at which time he attempted to enlist the services of McLaughlin to get this friend back on the police force. Vidler stated that he had little or nothing to do with McLaughlin after this episode. In spite of the only casual relationship between Vidler and McLaughlin, Sr., the former did not think it unusual that the latter would call upon him, Vidler, to pass money, and saw nothing unusual in the fact that McLaughlin furnished him with no details as to the nature or character of the money. He declared that no conversation was ever held with regard to the nature of this money, or the source from which it was coming or the identity of the parties who were issuing it. He admitted having driven McLaughlin to the vicinity of the Irving Hotel each afternoon, and that McLaughlin would be gone for between fifteen and thirty minutes, but he stated that McLaughlin never stated where he was going, or whom he would see. Vidler stated that he never saw anyone in company with McLaughlin in or about the Irving Hotel. Vidler confided that he thought that McLaughlin was getting this money each night from some deal, and when asked if he thought it was a legitimate deal he declared that he did not wish to answer that question.

On the person of Vidler was found a hunting license, year 1933, for the State of Illinois, issued at Crystal Lake, Illinois. In the belief that he might know Louie Cernocky, a prominent harbinger of hoodlums in Fox River Grove, Illinois, in close proximity to Crystal Lake, he was questioned on this matter. He advised that the license was issued

to him in Crystal Lake because he had a friend there, one Herendean, who owned a farm in that vicinity, and that he wanted to hunt pheasants in that vicinity. He could not provide the first name of Herendean, and stated that the latter no longer lives in the vicinity of Crystal Lake. He declared that he has eaten at Louis's place, but that he is not acquainted with Louis. He further stated that he knew no other parties in that vicinity.

A yellow sheet of paper containing numerous addresses was found among the personal effects of Vidler. Questioned as to this matter he stated that these were the addresses of numerous banks he had looked up, in the hope of disposing of money. He then said "That's just some more evidence against me". These addresses are found on page 19 of the report of Special Agent K. R. McIntire, Chicago, 5/16/34.

Professing the belief that the money was all right he was asked why he did not make efforts to have all the money changed at one bank instead of going to numerous banks. He could not make answer to this.

Vidler had previously informed that he had been handling liquor. Among his effects was found a small note book containing numerous entries indicating the sale of liquor to several parties. When questioned about this he declined to make response, advising he did not wish to get his friends into trouble.

Information has come to this office from an anonymous source indicating that one Charles L. Hall, Horse and Jockey, might be handling Bremer money. Questioned on this, Vidler advised that Hall is the publisher of the Horse and Jockey, a publication, that he has his offices at 2337 Devon, Chicago, Illinois, and that Vidler came to know him when the latter was working for the North Town Auto Finance and Bonding Company, located across the hall from the office of Charles L. Hall. Vidler disclaimed any possibility that Hall could be handling any of the Bremer money. He could furnish no further information as to Hall.

All the photographs playing any part in the Bremer case were shown to Vidler, but he disclaimed any knowledge as to any of the parties, identifying only "Yellow Kid" Weil. He alleged that he last saw Weil at the "Club Royal" in Chicago about a month ago. He either could not or would not furnish any further information concerning Weil.

Information has also come to this office from an anonymous source that the Ruben Cigar Store, 155 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois, "handles lots of that money". Questioned on this, Vidler disclaimed all knowledge.

The following is a personal description of Vidler secured from personal observation and interview:

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| Name | WILLIAM EDWARD VIDLER alias Williams |
| Age | 34 |
| Height | 5' 9" |
| Weight | 200 lbs. |
| Hair | Dark brown, turning gray; gray at temples; wavy |
| Eyes | Blue |
| Race | White |
| Nationality | American |
| Marital Status | Married, wife Dorothea (Buechler) Vidler; now at 5001 Ashland Ave., Chicago. Wife's mother, Mrs. Mabel Selle |
| Marks | Tattoo of "MARIAN" on left wrist inner, also on right wrist inner; tattoo of butterfly on left arm inner; deep dimple in chin |
| Build | Stocky |
| Beard | Clean shaven, but beard very heavy and black |
| Eyeglasses | Wears horn rimmed glasses when reading |
| Relatives | Parents both deceased; sister, Mrs. Agnes Treptow, 7023 South Park Avenue, Chicago, Ill. |
| Schooling | Attended Holland Public School, Chicago, Ill., through grades; Attended Wendell Phillips High School, Chicago, Ill. |
| Army Record | Enlisted Chicago, Illinois, 1917, 33rd Division, 131st Infantry. Headquarters Company; Army serial #1385958; mustered out 1919 |
| Criminal Record (Furnished voluntarily) | Sent to Joliet Penitentiary 1920, charge auto larceny; sentence 1 to 10 years; served forty months. |
| Fingerprints | Sent to Division April 30, 1934, by United States Marshal, Chicago, under number 12366. |

Mr. John J. McLaughlin, Patent Attorney, Room 1147, 53 West Jackson Blvd., Chicago, was interviewed by Special Agent Arthur McLawhorn following his telephone call to this Office, volunteering that he might have information of benefit in connection with the present case against "Boss" McLaughlin.

Mr. McLaughlin stated to Agent McLawhorn that he had on several occasions received mail addressed to his name, but which after he had opened and examined it, he discovered was not his. He had ascertained that there was another man in town bearing an identical name to his. Nothing in the mail that he had seen would indicate that the McLaughlin to whom it was addressed was anything but an upright citizen.

However, he stated that approximately two years ago, evidently the man bearing his identical name, namely "Boss" McLaughlin, became rather difficult to find, not being listed in either City Directory or telephone book, and that on two or three occasions men came to his office and identified themselves to him as being gangsters of different types, stating that they had been sent to him by people whose names they mentioned, but which names he could not recall at this time, saying that he would very likely have a job or two for them. In each case he said that it did not occur to him at first that it was another man whom they had in mind, and he would, therefore, question them concerning the type of work that they would expect to do for him, and concerning the man who had sent them to him.

Mr. McLaughlin did not recall distinctly the number of visits of this kind that came, nor the exact conversations, inasmuch as the last of them has been approximately eighteen months ago, but he did recall very distinctly the last call of this nature that was made. A man came and stated to him that he was from St. Louis and has been sent by some person (McLaughlin did not recall the name) who had told him that he, McLaughlin, would have a couple of jobs for him to pull. McLaughlin questioned the man very thoroughly as to who the man was who had sent him, and what type of work he would expect him to have for him. The man informed him that he did all kinds of jobs, stating that he had been connected with rackets in Kansas City and St. Louis, and that he had been hired to bump off a couple of fellows in Kansas City, and that he was connected with the last deal in St. Louis with the man who had sent him to McLaughlin. Mr. McLaughlin stated that it then dawned upon him that this man had made a mistake and he informed him that there was another man in this city whose

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name was identical to his, and that it was evidently this man whom he sought. The man stated that he was sorry, but he did not seem abashed at all at having disclosed his identity and purpose to a stranger.

Inasmuch as Mr. McLaughlin could furnish no names in connection with his story, Agent McLaughlin exhibited to him photographs of all of the known suspects in the Bremer case, and likewise photographs of various members of the Dillinger Mob, none of which he could identify.

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent K. R. McIntire, Chicago, Illinois, dated May 16, 1934, which sets forth in detail the verbal admissions of Subject John J. McLaughlin, Sr., in which he advised that he obtained the Bremer ransom money from persons known to him only as "Slim" and "Izzy" at Room 210, Irving Hotel, 4849 Irving Park Boulevard, Chicago.

On the night of April 28, 1934, Special Agent in Charge M. H. Purvis and Special Agent R. D. Brown conducted an under cover investigation at the Irving Hotel, 4849 Irving Park Boulevard, after registering in to the hotel under fictitious names. The only information obtained at that time was to the effect that Room 210 was unoccupied on that particular night.

On the following night, April 29, 1934, Special Agent J. T. McLaughlin registered at this hotel and during the evening he had a conversation with James Franklin, colored bellboy.

On the following morning, April 30, 1934, James Franklin appeared at the Chicago Division office and furnished the following signed statement, the original of which is being retained in the files of the Chicago Division office:

Chicago, Illinois
April 30, 1934

I, James Franklin, residing at 5250 Indiana Avenue, telephone Drexel 8347, employed as a bellhop at the Irving Hotel, 4849 Irving Park Blvd., Chicago, Illinois, having been questioned by Special Agent J. T. McLaughlin, Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice relative to certain rooms, and individuals being in said hotel, do make the following statement:

I have seen a man who is known to me as Slim, who is about 30 years old, 6'3" tall, and the last time I saw him wore a light gray hat, gray topcoat, gray suit and black shoes. He is usually accompanied by a man whom I do not know, but who I refer to as Slim's old man. This individual is about 50 years old, hair gray at temples and mixed on top; height about 5'6"; face kind of rough; heavy built with potbelly. These above individuals have frequented the rooms of Dr. Joe Moran. This doctor resides in room 210 with Dr. Jim Wilson. Dr. Moran occasionally rents the room opposite his, which is 211.

Office
4849 Irving Park Blvd
Res.
4849

Slim and his old man do not reside at the hotel, but have been calling there since about Christmas. Slim drives a Ford V-8, coupe dark red or maroon in color. It is a late model, possibly a 1938 or 1933. I do not know whether he owns this car or not.

The last time I have seen Dr. Moran was Friday afternoon, about 7:30. I was not in there when he left, and do not know whether he took any baggage with him or not.

The last time I saw Dr. Wilson was at 6 P. M. Friday afternoon, and he was at the hotel when I went off duty, and I have not seen him since.

The last time I saw Slim was Friday afternoon between 2 and 3 o'clock, and he was on his way up to Dr. Moran's room.

The last time I saw the old man was in room 211, I believe, Thursday, and brought him up a paper he was reading.

Slim and the old man to my knowledge have never stayed in room 211 over night. I have seen Slim and his old man in 211 a number of times and also in room 210. Last week I saw the old man in there on 2 occasions, but did not see Slim in there. These 2 rooms are rented by Dr. Joe Moran; and Slim and his old man are not registered at the hotel.

Dr. L. J. Mackey, a dentist has offices with Dr. Moran. The last time I saw him was Sunday afternoon. He was in the lobby of the hotel, and later that evening I saw him in the tavern near the door. Dr. Mackey is about 32 years old, slender build, about 5'7" in height, dark hair and dark complexioned, wears glasses. He is a frequent visitor of Dr. Moran at the hotel. Dr. Moran and his room mate, Dr. Wilson, do not associate with any other guests at the hotel to my knowledge. They have a number of callers, and usually the doctors have them wait in the lobby except Slim and his old man.

Dr. Moran to my opinion, is about 35 years old, about 6' in height, weighs about 190 lb., is well dressed, usually in dark clothes; has red hair and drives a new Pontiac sedan. I believe he is single and engaged to a very good looking girl, whose picture is in the room.

Dr. Wilson is about 28 years old, about 5'8" in height, auburn or dark brown hair, stocky build, weighs about 150 lb. Has no automobile and lives with Dr. Moran.

There has been no one living in room 209 to my knowledge for over 3 months, and no one has occupied room 206 or 234, which is a suite, except transients, and a Mr. Barrett from St. Louis, who was there about 2 weeks ago. He is a young punk, and does not know Dr. Moran or any of this other crowd.

The hotel is managed by N. J. Raskin, who also operates the Martinique Hotel, 4526 Sheridan Road, and the Sheridan Eastwood Hotel, 4581 Sheridan Road. I believe this man to be absolutely honest and reliable.

His brother, H. B. Raskin, commonly referred to as Hymie, is night clerk in the hotel and the precinct captain of the Democratic party of the 38th ward. I believe him to be absolutely honest and trustworthy too.

The hotel has 103 rooms, and the day clerk's names are Joe Saunders and Lou Lane. Saunders has only been there a short time and would not know what would be going on. Lane has lived there for the past 2 years, but would not furnish much information, but I can vouch for Mr. Raskin the manager, and his brother Hymie Raskin.

Dr. Moran has offices in the building adjoining the hotel, going west on Irving Park Blvd.

All records pertaining to telephone calls going out of the hotel are kept by the clerk and some of them as long as a year.

This is all the information I have to the best of my knowledge and belief at this time.

I am a poor boy and married, have no children, but have a widowed mother. I am willing to do every thing possible for my Government, and will assist in any way that they might desire. I know what the penalty might be in the event of doublecrossing the Government in this connection.

(Signed) JIMMIE FRANKLIN
JAMES FRANKLIN

WITNESS:

(Signed) J. T. McLaughlin
J. T. McLAUGHLIN, Special Agent
Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
1900 Bankers Building, Chicago, Illinois

On May 1, 1934, Special Agents R. D. Brown and L. D. Nichols conducted the following investigation with reference to the Irving Hotel.

It was learned that N. J. Raskin operates the Irving Hotel, the Martinique Hotel and the Sheridan Eastwood Hotel.

N. J. Raskin was interviewed at the Sheridan Eastwood Hotel, 4581 Sheridan Road, at which time he informed agents Brown and Nichols that rooms 210 and 211 at the Irving Hotel had been "plugged" meaning that no one could enter these rooms without a special key, which was in the possession of the manager; that the manager of this hotel is his brother, H. B. Raskin, commonly referred to as Hymie. N. J. Raskin, when requested to open these two rooms for investigation by agents, declined the request, saying, "We have no authority to permit this without a search warrant". However, agent Brown furnished Raskin with the statement that that agent would take all responsibility in connection with the examination of those two rooms.

At the Irving Hotel, H. B. Raskin was contacted, and he opened room 211 for agents. It was found that the same contained nothing whatsoever other than a pair of men's slippers. In room 210 were found a quantity of shirts with the laundry mark "D.R.", four men's hats, three men's suits, one tuxedo and one topcoat. There was also located a quantity of cards and papers in a bureau drawer and in a desk. Those appearing to have some value to this investigation were taken to the Chicago Division office and are listed hereinafter. These papers and cards indicate that Dr. Joseph B. Moran was the only person occupying this room, but Raskin stated that in addition to Dr. Moran, Dr. Moran's nephew and assistant, James Wilson, occupied rooms 210 and 211. He also advised that they had many callers, both men and women, and that he recalls a man answering

the description of the person referred to by Subject McLaughlin, Sr. as "Slim", spending quite a bit of time in room 210 for two or three weeks previous to Friday, April 27, 1934, on which day it appeared that all the persons who had been occupying or visiting rooms 210 and 211 had left the hotel in haste. He further stated that on Monday, April 30, 1934, someone called during the afternoon and stated he had often visited Dr. Moran's room and had left some personal property and desired to be permitted to enter and obtain it. Raskin advised he told this man he would be unable to enter the room because Dr. Moran owed a substantial bill. Papers and cards found in room 210 indicated that Dr. Moran's office telephone number is Palisade 7180 and is located at 4861 Irving Park Boulevard.

Raskin stated that when Dr. Moran first moved to the hotel, together with Jimmie Wilson, on August 8, 1933, he heard some comment from some person, whose name he does not recall, to the effect that Dr. Moran formerly practiced medicine in Maywood, Illinois, and was forced to leave that vicinity due to illegal practices. Several cards were found in his office, showing that he once practiced in Maywood.

After examining his records, Raskin stated that Dr. Moran rented rooms 334 and 306 for the dates April 23, 25, 26 and 27, 1934, at which time the person referred to as "Slim" occupied these rooms on those dates, together with other strangers whom he thought to be friends of Dr. Moran; that the party did a great deal of drinking and had many strange women in the rooms. He further stated that Dr. R. L. Mackey, a dentist who occupies professional quarters with Dr. Moran, also spent considerable time in room 210, and that room 211 was occupied occasionally by Dr. Moran when Jimmie Wilson had a woman companion for the night. No further information of value could be obtained from Mr. Raskin or other employees.

Telephone calls emanating from rooms 334, 306, 210 and 211 were checked from January 1, 1934 to the date of this investigation, and they are listed as follows: The Illinois Bell Telephone Company furnished the names and addresses of the subscribers of the telephone numbers. It will be noted that several of the numbers were unlisted and information concerning the subscribers of these numbers was confidentially obtained from the Illinois Bell Telephone Company.

| <u>Telephone Number</u> | <u>Name and Address of Subscriber</u> |
|-------------------------|---|
| Avenue 7070 | Nelson and Hirschburg, 5133 W. Irving Park |
| Albany 7462 Unlisted | Jos. Tracey, 2718 N. Ridgeway |
| Ardmore 2741 | Armin Kuhn, 5248 Winthrop Ave. |
| Ardmore 2701 | Martin Larson, 854 Eastwood Ave. |
| Bittersweet 4208 | G. H. Nolan, 535 Cornelia Ave. |
| Bittersweet 1408 | Roy Gray (R. Gray Evans), 626 Waveland, First Floor, Apt. 11 |

Telephone Number

Bittersweet 0408
Buckingham 8000

Belmont 5108
Canal 7046
Delaware 0434
Greenleaf 2000

Pensacola 2132
Pensacola 7702
Palisade 0920
Palisade 7180
Juniper 0863

Kedzie 3958
Kedzie 5055
Kildare 4340
Keystone 6080

Keystone 1765
Lincoln 3723
Lawndale 1707

Longbeach 2032
Edgewater 5785

Maywood 7786 Unlisted
Midway 10092
Nevada 2711
Merrimac 4165
" 2382
Monroe 2356
Randolph 8000
Randolph 0167

Ravenswood 2000
Rogers Park 6100
" " 1122
Ravenswood 10443
State 1942
Sunnyside 5811
State 3615

State 2000
Seeley 6723
Village 7006
Wabash 1412
Vincennes 6080

Name and Address of Subscriber

Gorhan, 509 Aldine Ave., Apt. E C.
Paulina and Roscoe Bldg. Corp.,
1650 Roscoe St.

Harry C. Bennings, 2808 N. Whipple St.
F. J. Repa, 2831 Union Ave.
Sax Fifth Avenue
Band Box Cleaners, 1734 Sherman Ave.,
Evanston, Ill.

Fred Myer, 4407 Leland Ave.
Leo Mackey, 4861 Irving Park Blvd.
Checker Cab Co.

Joseph Moran, 4861 Irving Park Blvd.
Belmont Material and Coal Co.,
3310 Belmont Ave.

John J. McLaughlin, 3523 W. Jackson Blvd.
Thomas O'Connell, 4109 W. 5th Ave.
Almberg, 5077 Catalpa Ave.

Martha Washington Hospital, Irving
and Western Ave.

Martha Carlson, 4414 N. Kimball St.
Pinewood Hotel, 2744 Pine Grove Ave.

Mahoney Skirovka (Arts Dealers),
5312 Cicero Ave.

Nicholas Cisner, 4400 N. Hermitage
Joseph I. Morrison, 4531 N. Campbell St.

B. C. Bollman, 1404 S. 12th Ave.

Siabo Apts., 1524 E. Marquette
Pete Pera, 356 So. Crawford Ave.

John E. Clifford, 1456 N. Mason

Frank Freemuth, 1426 N. Mansfield

Abel Fign, 1523 W. Austin St.

City Hall

Builders Service Employers' International
Union, 150 N. Wells St.

Henry Bergantz, 900 Montrose (Basement)

Highlands Apts., 7455 Greenview

Lord's Department Store, Evanston, Ill.

Victor Fisher, 4600 Lincoln

Thomas Kluzynski, 111 W. Washington St.

Sheirgyle Apts., 930 Argonne

Central States Finance Corp., 209

N. La Salle St.

Carson, Pirie, Scott & Co. Department Store

Bernard Leben, 1836 W. Jackson

Gladys Wilde, 501 So. Kenilworth

Equitable Finance Co., 332 So. Michigan

Irving Jenks, 8000 Drexel

It will be noted from the above numbers that Subject John J. McLaughlin, Sr.'s telephone number is Kedzie 3958. It was noted that on Friday, April 27, 1934, the date Dr. Moran and James Wilson disappeared from the hotel, the number Kedzie 3958 was called from room 210 and then immediately thereafter Bittersweet 1408, then Palisade 0920. The telephone number Bittersweet 1408, it will be noted, is the unlisted telephone in the name of Roy Gray, 626 Waveland. The telephone number Palisade 0920 is the telephone number of the Checker Taxicab Co., 4009 1/2 Cicero Avenue. Mr. Raskin advised that Dr. Moran, when using a taxicab, always called this number. It is presumed that Dr. Moran, after reading the Chicago newspapers on the afternoon of Friday, April 27, 1934, immediately called the home of Subject McLaughlin, then called the apartment of Roy Gray alias "Slim", then called the Checker Cab Co.

The following is a list of the cards, papers and letters found in room 210, Irving Hotel, by Special Agents R. D. Brown and L. D. Nichols on May 1, 1934.

1. Photostatic copy of passenger car transfer from Secretary of State, State of Illinois, dated 6-9-33, for Plymouth Sedan, motor No. PD52656, 1933 Model, in the name of James E. McFadden. Same contains the signature of James E. McFadden.
2. State of Illinois Motor Vehicle Registration Card showing that on 6-1-33, Oldsmobile Coupe, motor No. SC230008, was registered under the name of James O'Connell, 4109 Fifth Avenue, Chicago, Ill. and Illinois 1933 license No. 848614 issued to him.
- check 3. Receipt stub of the Public Service Company of Northern Illinois to Dr. J. P. Moran, 503 Main Street, Maywood, Ill., dated 6-22-33.
4. Letter signed Larry O'Connell, dated 4-14-34 at the Cook County Jail, Chicago, Ill. in substance advising Dr. Moran he, with others, known to Dr. Moran, had recently been arrested on a "stick up" but that he, Dr. Moran, had nothing to worry about; that Dr. Moran should send someone up to see him, Larry O'Connell, to get the story of the arrest.
5. Letter to Dr. J. P. Moran, 4861 Irving Park Blvd., Chicago, dated 1-26-34 from George T. Scully, Supt. of Supervision, Division of Supervision of Parolees, Illinois Department of Public Welfare, requesting that Dr. Moran give treatment to the bearer of the letter, James Patrikus, who was alleged to be a parolee.

6. Printed Bill form of Dr. Jos. P. Moran, Maywood, Ill., with the telephone numbers "Randolph 8613 and Edgewater 9701 thereon and the names Mr. Randall and Mr. Pennick, 2318 Eastwood Ave., written in pencil thereon in the handwriting of Dr. Moran.

These documents are being retained in the Chicago Division office file for future reference.

On the following date, May 2, 1934, Special Agents R. D. Brown and L. D. Nichols interviewed Dr. Leo Mackey, a dentist who shares offices with Dr. J. P. Moran on the second floor of the premises located at 4861 Irving Park Boulevard.

Dr. Mackey, when first interviewed, stated that Dr. Moran and his assistant, James Wilson, were visiting relatives at Spring Valley, Illinois, and were expected to return in a few days. He further stated that he had shared offices with Dr. Moran since approximately November 1, 1933, but that he knows very little concerning Dr. Moran and has always believed him to be a reliable, professional gentleman. However, after considerable pressure, Dr. Mackey finally advised that he last saw Dr. Moran and Jimmie Wilson on Friday afternoon, April 27, 1934, at which time no conversation was had indicating that Dr. Moran and Wilson expected to leave Chicago; that he understood that Dr. Moran has a sister who resides in Spring Valley, Illinois, and that she is very ill, and that when Dr. Moran failed to return, he naturally suspected that he had been called to Spring Valley to visit his sick sister. However, he stated that since Dr. Moran has not returned, and since he had received no word whatsoever from him, he had become anxious concerning him; that he has been forced to tell patients of Dr. Moran that he expects Dr. Moran's return in a few days after visiting a sick sister. He admitted to agents that his, Mackey's, weakness is liquor, and that he has often had drinking parties in the room of Dr. Moran at the Irving Hotel. However, he steadfastly maintained that he knows very little concerning Dr. Moran but admitted that his actions have sometimes been suspicious due to the fact that strange men sometimes frequent his office, and that Dr. Moran receives many telephone calls, more telephone calls than the average professional man would expect to receive. He indicated that Dr. Moran is considered a good physician and surgeon, but that he is quite unreliable due to the fact that he drinks heavily and often fails to keep his appointments. He further stated that he believes James Wilson, Dr. Moran's assistant, is Dr. Moran's cousin from La Salle, Illinois, but

that James Wilson is not a physician, although he has attended Northwestern University College of Medicine. He stated that he has never heard anything to the effect that Dr. Moran has ever been convicted on any charge whatsoever. However, he understands that Dr. Moran is divorced from his wife, but that he has met a young lady, introduced to him as Betty Tracy, who is Dr. Moran's present fiancée and who often calls at Dr. Moran's office.

He advised that Dr. Moran is the owner of a 1933 model Pontiac sedan but he was unable to furnish the license number. He was also unable to furnish any information regarding Dr. Moran's relatives, friends and contacts.

Numerous photographs of suspects in the Bremer kidnaping case were shown to Dr. Mackey, but he was unable to identify any of them as persons whom he had seen in company with Dr. Moran. He was then asked if he had ever treated, or had ever seen in Dr. Moran's company a tall slim man of about thirty years of age, who would be referred to as "Slim". Dr. Mackey then turned to his records and stated that he recalls that he has treated a person of such description, and that he has heard Dr. Moran speak of this man as "Slim"; that this man often frequented Dr. Moran's offices since approximately January 1, 1934, and that "Slim", Dr. Moran and Jimmie Wilson appeared to be very close friends. He further stated that this "Slim" used the name of R. Gray Evans, when he, Dr. Mackey, performed some dental work for him about two months ago. He was then questioned closely as to a short, Jewish appearing man of about forty-five to fifty years of age, who may have accompanied Evans to Dr. Moran's office. However, he was unable to recall such an individual.

Dr. Mackey advised that he would be more than willing to cooperate with the Government in any way. He became unnecessarily frightened during the course of this investigation and interview.

With the assistance of Dr. Mackey, Dr. Moran's personal effects contained in his desk were closely examined, and the following letters, cards and documents were located, which are being retained in the Chicago Division office files for future reference.

1. Letter dated 4-12-34, written in pencil, addressed to "Dear Joe", and signed "Less". Letter advised he was in jail and asked Dr. Moran to furnish him with \$200.00 as he hoped to beat the case and stated he would do anything for Dr. Moran if the loan were made; that a lawyer Murphy in the office of lawyer W. W. O'Brian could beat the rap for \$200.00.

Check

2. Pass book of the Prairie State Bank, Oak Park, Ill. in account with Dr. Jos. P. Moran showing deposit of \$120.00 on 11-29-32.
3. Letter signed Mrs. A. Wilhelm, 5243 W. 24th Place, Cicero, Ill. addressed to Dr. Moran, dated 4-30-34, advising she had a job and requesting Dr. Moran to send her the balance due her of \$6.00.
4. Undated letter written in ink signed Kate, addressed to Dr. Joseph P. Moran, 4861 Irving Park Blvd., Chicago, advising Dr. Moran she hoped he would visit her over the week end and that she had a letter from "Anne". It should be noted that "Kate" is Dr. Moran's sister who resides at 314 E. Dakota Street, Spring Valley, Ill., Dr. Moran's home town.
5. Letter postmarked Princeton, Ill., April 19, 1934, to Dr. Moran, 2841 W. Irving Park Blvd., signed Reta Orland, expressing pleasure at Dr. Moran's request that she come to Chicago where he, Dr. Moran, had a position as nurse for her. The return address is given as Reta Orlandini, 224 W. 2nd Street, Spring Valley, Ill.
6. Final Notice Before Suit dated 4-26-34 in the matter of the claim of Frank S. Betz Company, Chicago, Ill. and Dr. J. Moran, with reference to Dr. Moran's debt in the amount of \$53.42.
7. Letter postmarked Akron, Ohio, Dec. 28, 1933, written in pencil, addressed to Dr. Joseph P. Moran, 4861 Irving Park Blvd., signed by John (Schnozz) Hauser, advising he was arrested upon arriving in Akron and was photographed and printed. Letter indicated he was then released as he states "Got a kite off for Murph, T. H. and F. K. last night". He also states "Doe, if there is anything I can do for you in any way 'regardless' just let me know. I don't know what to have Murph and them do but told them to just stand by and wait for word - by the way burn all this stuff up and tell Mickey not to perspire too much - I'll wait for word in some form or other so as to let them know what to do at that end".

8. Letter dated 4-23-34 from Dr. J. W. Lyman, 3211 Glenwood Ave., Chicago, to Dr. Moran, introducing Miss Irene Davenport as a very practical and competent nurse.
9. Letter written in ink, without envelope, addressed to "Joe and Betty" and signed Anne. "Anne" is Dr. Moran's sister, Mrs. Anne La Chappelle, who with her husband has a winter lodge at Tabernash, Colorado. The letter contains thanks for Christmas gifts and tells of a visit to Cripple Creek during Christmas week. Cripple Creek is located near Tabernash, Colorado. There is a strong possibility that Dr. Moran is now hiding at the home of this sister at Tabernash, Colorado.
10. Letter dated Oct. 5, 1932, from M. F. Walsh, Director, Ill. Dept. of Registration and Education, Springfield, Ill., to Hon. Phil Collins, 7544 Phillips Ave., Chicago, Ill., which advised that the case of Dr. Moran was still in the hands of the Parole Board and no action could be taken toward his reinstatement of his Illinois medical license until Parole action had been taken.
11. Letter addressed to Dr. Moran, dated Feb. 25, 1934, from James E. Edwards, 125 1/2 N. Main Street, Ottawa, Ill., representative of the Travelers Insurance Company, advising certified copy of Dr. Moran's birth certificate was desired.
12. Letter dated October 3, 1933, to Dr. Moran from Eugene B. Schwartz, Supt. of Registration, Ill. Department of Registration and Education, advising his application for reinstatement would be taken up at the next meeting of the Medical Committee. (Evidently Dr. Moran had not been reinstated at this time although investigation indicates he was practicing medicine).
13. Postcard postmarked La Salle, Ill., 2-7-34, to Dr. Moran from Austin W. Mitchell, 404 Schuyler St., Peru, Ill., advising "Let us hear about the matter I've written you. We need --- so let us hear from you".
14. Letter from Michael Fahy, State Senator for Illinois, Toluca, Ill., dated 9-29-33, advising he would see the Superintendent of Registration soon and see what could be done.

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15. Letter, written in ink, addressed to "Parole Board", dated 3/29/34, signed by George Bedords, proprietor of Bedords' Hand Shop, Electrical Shop, written in behalf of one Mr. Dennis O'Keefe, 1814 W. 33d Street, Chicago, who was applying for parole.
16. Similar letter in behalf of the same person from Louis A. Donn, Auto Dealer, 7140 Stony Island Ave., Chicago.
17. Similar letter in behalf of same person from L. M. Smith, Smith's Drug Co., N. E. Corner Indiana Ave. and 31st Street, Chicago.
18. Similar letter in behalf of Dennis O'Keefe from John O'Brian, Funeral Director, 3159 Jackson Blvd., Chicago, Ill.
19. Letter, written in pencil and without envelope, dated Sept. 18, 1933, to Dr. Moran from Mrs. John Gessner, telephone Haymarket 0326, Apt. #3, asking him to establish an alibi for her husband, John Gessner, and one McBride, who was to be tried on some serious charge. The letter is partly destroyed and important sections of the letter could not be located in Dr. Moran's desk.
20. Receipt on plain piece of paper, dated Feb. 28, 1934, as follows: "Received on account for Joe Ryan and William Hunke one hundred dollars", signed, Charles A. Bellows, 10 South La Salle Street, Chicago, telephone Franklin 7900.
21. Order for Discharge of prisoner Joseph B. (should be P) Moran, from Division of Paroles and Pardons, Illinois Department of Public Welfare, dated Jan. 17, 1934. Document shows Dr. Moran was known as prisoner #2362-E and was sentenced at La Salle, Ill. on Nov. 16, 1928, to the Illinois State Penitentiary, Joliet, Ill., for the crime of abortion; that he served a term of 27 months and was paroled on 4-7-30 and returned to the Penitentiary on 1-23-31, after parole had been revoked and was again paroled 12-15-31. Discharge is signed by Robert B. Phillips (Clerk).

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22. Personal card of Dr. Joseph P. Moran, 4861 Irving Park Boulevard. On the back of this card is the following: "Mickey O'Halleran, 1244 E. Dearborn Street, Room 517, Telephone Superior 4980".
23. Letter dated Chicago, Ill., Feb. 25, 1934, addressed to Dr. Moran, from William Schall, Attorney, 10 N. Clark St., Chicago, Ill., advising that his client, Mrs. Emilia Kowalik, had charged that the cause of her husband's death was malpractice on his, Dr. Moran's, part, and he was therefore bringing suit.
24. Card of the Two Hundred Twenty-five Club, 225 East Superior Street, Chicago. On back of card is penciled notation "Douglas 1710, Charlotte Latta, 536 E. 34th Street". McLaughlin formerly served.
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25. Card of the Horn Palace Cafe & Restaurant, 4165 S. Halsted Street, Chicago, on back of which is penciled notation, "Bart Golden, Auburn Inn, 815 W. 74th Street".
26. Card of Andrew J. O'Donnell, Attorney of firm, O'Donnell & Platka, 3166 Lincoln Avenue, Chicago. On back is penciled notation, "Johnny Murphy, Hyde Park 2471, Apt. 202".
27. Card of Arthur Karnell, General Bar Plumbing, 2643 Armitage Ave., Chicago, Ill., on back of which is penciled notation, "Jimmy -- Dearborn 4953".
28. Card of James T. DeVere, Attorney at Law, 105 N. Clark Street, Chicago, telephone Central 4438. On back of this card is following penciled notation: "Austin 1829 - Stork Dept." "Flo. Rendall, Edgewater 0701", "Lawndale 5465".
29. Small snapshot of Dr. Moran at age of about 20 years. On back is written in ink, "Your son Joe".
30. Receipt, dated 3-15-34, Chicago, Ill., from William Schull by Josephine Evens, "Received of Dr. Joseph P. Moran, sum of \$25.00 on account (note)".
31. Prescription blank of Dr. Moran with following notations in ink: "Call Kate at the Killaurin". "Larry O'Rourke, Merrimac 9506 or Dearborn 7350". The word "Bonds" is penned several times.

32. Prescription blank of Dr. Moran with following notation: "Paddy Dugan about Ed".
33. Billhead of Dr. Moran with following notation in ink: "Mrs. Ellis - Brockfield 1915".
34. Prescription blank of Dr. Moran bearing penciled notation: "3233 1/2 Warren Blvd., Apt. 305".
35. Card with following notation in ink: "Bill -- 4106 Dickens, north of Armitage one block -- Albany 4408".
36. Resident Hunting license for State of Illinois #291983 for year 1933, for James J. Wilson. License describes Wilson as being 26 years of age, 5 ft. 7 in., weight 145 lbs., brown hair and grey eyes.
37. Identification card of James J. Wilson, 4861 Irving Park Blvd., Chicago. Contains notice to call Dr. Joseph P. Moran, same address, in case of accident.
38. Business card of Garland C. Coone, 444 St. James Place, Chicago, Ill., on back of which is written in pencil: "E. H. Swanson, Austin 8216".
39. Business card of Diversey Motor Sales and Service, Inc., 824 Diversey Parkway, E. T. C. Holden, Oldsmobile salesman; telephone Buckingham 0604.
40. Business card of James E. Edwards, 629 Marcey Street, Ottawa, Ill.
41. Slip of paper with following notation: "Dr. Moran, call Mr. Weston, Longbeach 3969".
42. Prescription blank of Dr. Moran with following notation in ink: "Louis Peacock, 4915 Belle Plaine".
43. Business card of the Service Rental Libraries, Inc., 4821 Diversey Avenue, Chicago, telephone National 1093. Jack Miller.
44. Piece of cardboard bearing telephone number Lafayette 4181 and the name "Fred" underlined.

45. Piece of torn card, evidently of some financial concern. On one side, in pencil, appeared the following: "Whitehall 4290 - 236 Lena". This is evidently a New York City telephone number. There is also printed the words "Toledo, Ohio". On the opposite side in ink is the following notation: "Land. 7038, 4809 N. Lockwood, PO - 8097".
46. Order blank of The Larry O'Rourke, Inc., Automobile Dealers, 945-51 Washington Blvd., Chicago, Ill., dated 12/12/33, reading as follows: "To Dr. Moran - Received payment of \$225.00 down payment. Balance \$100.00 12/15/33 - signed, Larry". In ink appear the following notations "G. S. 6022 and motor 6580686".
47. Letterhead of Larry O'Rourke Auto Finance Company, 945-51 Washington Blvd., Chicago, Ill., dated March 15, 1934, as follows: "Sold to Dr. Jos. Moran, 4849 Irving Park Blvd., one Pontiac sedan, 1933 model -- \$650.00
Cash 165.00
\$485.00
Plus 171.00
Balance 656.00
Payable to Equitable Finance Co. -- 16 mos. at \$41.00 each - (Signed) Henry Sexton".

Examination was made of Dr. Moran's office. It was found that same is elaborately furnished and equipped with the latest medical devices. The office itself is well appointed and is quite expensive.

Mr. Mackey advised that Dr. Moran specializes in venereal and maternity cases and has been considered reasonably successful for the length of time he has practiced in this section of Chicago.

Dr. Mackey has often called the Chicago Division Office from the time of this interview to date, advising in substance that he has been unable to obtain any information relative to the present whereabouts of Dr. Moran or James Wilson. He is unable to explain their absence and stated that Dr. Moran has lost the major portion of his practice as a result of his absence; that patients are continually calling at the office, asking for an approximate date of his return; that most of them have become disgusted and have terminated their associations with Dr. Moran.

The following investigation with respect to Doctor Joseph P. Moran, a physician and surgeon who has been practicing medicine in Chicago, Illinois at 4841 Irving Park Boulevard, was conducted by Special Agent W. C. Jamison on May 2nd and 3, 1934 at Springvalley, Illinois and vicinity.

Mr. Joseph Hausch, Postmaster, LaSalle, Illinois, stated that Doctor Joseph P. Moran moved to LaSalle to practice medicine from Springvalley, Illinois, where Moran's relatives resided. He stated that Moran had practiced medicine for several years in LaSalle, but in 1928 he had become involved in difficulties due to an abortion he performed, and later that year he was sentenced to serve a term at Joliet penitentiary; that after serving two or three years at Joliet he had been paroled and had then resumed the practice at Depue, Illinois. At Depue he again got into trouble, with the result that his parole was revoked and that thereafter he had gone to Chicago, Illinois.

With reference to Moran's family, Mr. Hausch advised that he had a brother, James Moran, who also practiced medicine at Springvalley, Illinois; that he has several sisters and that his family all had the reputation of being respectable persons. Mr. Hausch advised that he, Joseph P. Moran, had married a girl by the name of Annie Brown, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Brown of Marquette, Illinois; that Brown was quite wealthy, having been interested in Public Utilities Company, but that Brown had died about two years ago, and his widow now lives at St. Petersburg, Florida at the Martha Washington Hotel. He stated, however, that the Brown family still has a home at 1216 St. Vincent Avenue, LaSalle, Illinois.

Mr. Hausch advised that Annie Brown, the wife of Joseph Moran, had separated from him when he first got into trouble and was later divorced and is now thought to have re-married and to be living in Louisville, Kentucky, but her second husband's name is not known. Mr. Hausch further advised that Joseph Moran has a married sister who runs a health resort or sanitarium at Tabernash, Colorado.

Relative to Joseph P. Moran, Mr. Hausch stated that he was a heavy drinker and was sometimes thought to be a dope addict; that no one in LaSalle would extend him any credit and that it appeared that in spite of the fact that Moran had a good practice, his wife was forced to pay all their bills.

Mr. Peter Wallock, Chief of Police, LaSalle, Illinois, stated that Moran was a kind of man who might be mixed up in almost any shady activities. He stated that Moran practiced medicine in LaSalle for several years before his arrest in 1928; that he was an excellent physician and had worked up a big practice but in spite of that fact, he was always broke. He stated that Moran was a heavy drinker and was always running after women.

Chief Wallock's arrest record shows that on August 16, 1928 he arrested Joseph P. Moran, Mary Bowers and Vera Kubera, on a charge of murder. Chief Wallock advised that both Moran and Mary Bowers were sentenced to Joliet, after being convicted of abortion, and that both were later paroled, and he is under the impression that Mary Bowers' parole was also revoked.

Relative to Mary Bowers, he stated that she is now living in LaSalle with her husband, but that it would be inadvisable to interview her.

Mr. Hausch, Postmaster, LaSalle, Illinois, advised that Mary Bowers lives with her husband, Herman Bowers, at 427 LaHarpe Street, LaSalle, Illinois; that Vera Kubera lives with her. He stated that the Bowers' were a shifty lot and that Herman Bowers was formerly a hotel porter, but is not now employed, but does such odd jobs as he can find.

Chief Wallock advised against interviewing the Chief of Police at Springvalley, Illinois, William Doig, stating that Chief Doig is a political ally of Doctor James Moran of Springvalley and that any inquiries of Doig would no doubt be reported to James Moran and probably reach his brother, Joseph Moran.

Chief Wallock described Joseph P. Moran as follows:

Age: 40 to 41 years
Height: 5 feet 10 inches
Weight: 150 to 160 pounds
Complexion: Sallow
Hair: Sandy
Eyes: Blue
Clean shaven
Does not wear glasses
Is a good dresser, usually wearing light brown suits.
His face is thin, but has a rounded chin.
Walks with long strides and is a very rapid walker.

Chief Wallock stated that Moran, if picked up, would undoubtedly talk freely, particularly if he were given several drinks of whiskey. He also stated that he would keep the inquiry in strict confidence; that he would be on the look out for Joseph P. Moran, and if he obtained any information as to his present location or his presence in the vicinity of LaSalle, Illinois, he would telephone the Chicago Division Office.

Mr. James Doyle, Assistant Postmaster, Springvalley, Illinois, stated that he knew Doctor Joseph Moran and his family intimately and gave the following information with respect thereto:

Father and mother - dead for several years.

Brother - James Moran, resides at 112 West Cleveland and has an office at 130 1/2 East St. Paul, Springvalley, Illinois.

Sister - Mrs. Kate Lauer, residing at 314 East Dakota Street, Springvalley, Illinois - a widow. She has a widows' pension and is also supported by her brother James Moran.

Sister - Mrs. Leslie Brook, living at Fairfield, Illinois.

Sister - Mrs. Annie Chappell, living at Tabernash, Colorado.

In addition to these relatives, there is another brother, John Moran, who was last heard of 7 or 8 years ago as a Chiropractor in Kewanee, Illinois. This brother is thought, however, to be dead.

Doyle advised that Joseph P. Moran graduated from grade school in Marquette, Illinois; is a graduate of the high school in Springvalley, Illinois, and attended Tufts College at Boston, Massachusetts. He is a catholic and enlisted during the World War. It is Doyle's information that he was a First Lieutenant in the Aviation Corps. Doyle stated that Moran married Annie Brown, who left him immediately after his arrest in 1928. This woman has a sister, Mrs. Hugh Black, whose husband is a dentist and resides in LaSalle, Illinois.

The LaSalle, Illinois telephone book shows that Hugh E. Black resides at 1321 Argyle Road, with offices at 153 Marquette Street, LaSalle, Illinois.

Doyle stated that Moran was in Springvalley about/fourteenth or fifteenth of April as he had seen the name mentioned in the Springvalley Newspaper.

The newspaper file at the Post Office was examined and the following item in the Springvalley Gazette dated April 19, 1934 was found: "Doctor Joseph Moran and Miss Betty Tracy of Oak Park, and John Lauer of Springfield, Illinois, were week-end visitors of Mrs. Kate Lauer, who is quite ill at her home on East Dakota Street".

The John Lauer mentioned in this item is said to be a son of Mrs. Kate Lauer.

Doyle further advised that James Moran, brother of Joseph Moran, is politically active and is a former member of the Springvalley school board. Doyle stated that James and Joseph do not correspond with each other, and Joseph is reported to have forged some checks in James' name. Doyle doubted that James Moran would hide Joseph out, but stated that Mrs. Kate Lauer corresponds with Joseph quite frequently and would no doubt conceal him if she were asked to do so.

Relative to Reta Orland, Mr. Doyle advised that this woman was formerly a nurse employed by a Zinc Company at Depue, Illinois. Her maiden name was Reta Byer and she married an Italian, Prima Orlandini and she is known both as Orlandini and Orland. She has one child, a daughter, five years old. Reta Orland also has a sister, Ide Byer, who teaches in the Springvalley high school and is a close ally of James Moran.

Reta Orland left Depue, Illinois before 1928, and so far as is known, was not involved in any of Joseph Moran's difficulties. Her husband is now unemployed and she lives with her husband's mother at 224 West Second Street, Springvalley.

Mr. Doyle stated that it would be inadvisable to contact either Reta Orland or Chief of Police Doig, due to their contacts with Doctor James Moran.

Doyle described Reta Orland as follows:

Age: 33 to 35 years
Height: 5 feet 7 inches
Weight: 135 to 140 pounds
Hair: Dark brown, wavy
Complexion: Fair
Build: Well built
Good looking
No glasses
No visible scars
Eyes: Not known, but are thought to be blue.

Arrangements were made with Louis J. Ballatti, Postmaster at Springvalley, Illinois, to provide an immediate mail cover on the mail of Mrs. Kate Lauer and Reta Orland, as well as that of Doctor James Moran.

Mr. Doyle stated that it would be inadvisable to contact the telephone company at Springvalley as a request for information would undoubtedly not be held in confidence, and further stated that they found it necessary to go to LaSalle to telephone in the event they had confidential information they wished to transmit over the telephone. He

stated, however, that he had a friend at the telephone company, a girl operator, who was reliable and discreet, and that he would make inquiries of her that night. Mr. Doyle further advised that Joseph Moran had a friend named Emmett Glynn who was a bar tender at a saloon and restaurant on First Street in LaSalle, Illinois, and that he, Doyle, would be able to secure information at that place that evening as to whether or not Joseph Moran had been in that vicinity recently.

Mr. Doyle further stated that there is a Shell Gasoline Station on Route 6 near Kate Lauer's home, which is run by R. J. Conway, a personal friend of Doyle's; that Conway could be trusted to keep a look out for Joseph Moran.

Agent and Mr. Doyle, therefore, interviewed R. J. Conway, who stated that he had seen Doctor Joseph P. Moran get out of an automobile in front of Kate Lauer's home several weeks ago; that the automobile was dark blue or black, sedan, but he did not know the make of the automobile or the license number. Mr. Conway agreed that if his name was not mentioned or if he would not be in any way involved, that he would immediately telephone Doyle in the event he saw Doctor Moran at Kate Lauer's home.

Relative to Jimmy or James Wilson, Mr. Doyle advised that he is a son of James M. and Elizabeth Wilson who live at 117 West Cleveland Street, Springvalley, Illinois. The relationship of James Wilson to the Moran's comes through marriage, as James Wilson's mother is a sister of Doctor James Moran's wife, Anna, now deceased. Jimmy Wilson married a girl named Lindemeyer or Lindemier, who formerly resided at Peru, Illinois, but they are now separated. At the present time, the father of Jimmy Wilson is not working. Doyle furnished the following description of James "Jimmy" Wilson:

Age: 26 to 28
Height: 5 feet 6 or 7 inches
Weight: 130 pounds
Build: Medium slim
Hair: Brown, wavy
Complexion: Fair
Good looking
Good dresser
Has an Uncle, Jim Barrowman, who is a member of the Chicago Police force.

Later that night Mr. Doyle called on the writer and stated that he had visited Tom Cawley's place in LaSalle, but had been unable to obtain any information about Joseph Moran. So far as Doyle was able to learn, Moran had not been about that place for a long time.

Doyle further advised that he had been able to talk with Jimmy Wilson's mother and he had told her that his brother Vince Doyle had just gone to Chicago and that it would be very nice if he could see Jimmy and Mrs. Wilson replied that they did not know just where Jimmy was; that the last time they had heard from him he had stated that he was going to Toledo and from there on East; that the last address they had was 4841 Irving Park Boulevard; and that if they heard from Jimmy again they would let Doyle know where he was.

Doyle further advised that two letters were mailed by Mrs. Kate Lauer that evening, one to a Mrs. M. Zebarth, 3701 Addison Street, Chicago, Illinois; Doyle stated that Mrs. Zebarth is a former resident of Springvalley, Illinois, and a friend of Mrs. Lauer; and the other letter was addressed to Mrs. L. A. Chappell, Tabernash, Colorado. This is a sister of Joseph Moran, previously referred to.

Doyle also advised that a letter had been received, addressed to Mrs. Elizabeth Orlandino. This letter bore no return address but was post-marked Jackson Park Station, Chicago, Illinois.

On the following morning the writer examined this letter to Mrs. Orlandino and secured a tracing, which is attached hereto. The letter was examined by holding it to a strong light, but due to the fact that it was written on very heavy paper, only a few words could be deciphered. One of the words, however, appeared to be the name "Moran". Due to the conditions under which Agent was working, he was unable to get further information as to this letter.

Mr. Doyle later advised that he had contacted the telephone operator, referred to above, who told him that neither the Orlandini's nor the Wilson's had a telephone, but that Mrs. Kate Lauer had a telephone installed two weeks ago, but that she had made no calls on this telephone while she had been on duty.

This Agent found Mr. Doyle to be very desirous of giving every possible assistance to this Agent, and Doyle has stated that he will telephone the Chicago office immediately if anything of importance concerning Joseph P. Moran, Kate Lauer or Reta Orlandino is obtained.

Miss Ruth Glover, an employee at the Post Office, Depue, Illinois, was interviewed in the absence of Mr. F. E. Peterson, Postmaster, who was out of town on the day Agent called. Miss Glover stated that about two years ago Doctor Joseph Moran had opened an office over a grocery store in Depue; that he did not stay regularly in Depue, but had kept office hours at that place. She stated that Moran had practiced for about a year and then the body of a new born child had been found in a swamp and that Doctor Moran was accused of having performed another abortion and having concealed the body of the child in the swamp, but due to lack of evidence he was not prosecuted on this charge. However, his parole was revoked and he was remanded back to Joliet. This child was reputed to be the child

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of a Jewess, [redacted] who is thought to be living in Chicago. The father of the child is reputed to be [redacted] Spaniard who lives in and around Depue, Illinois. [redacted] according to Miss Glover, is tall, dark, heavy build and is a bum living wherever he can find a place to sleep.

Miss Glover stated that Doctor Joseph Moran, while in Depue, drank heavily and went out with a number of girls; that his closest girl friend in Depue was a Miss Odessa Helmer. Miss Glover stated that Miss Helmer is a girl of good character and is a personal friend of her's, Miss Glover. Miss Glover stated that she doubted that Doctor Joseph Moran would ever return to Depue as he had no interest there, but that if he did, he would undoubtedly contact Miss Helmer. Miss Glover stated that she did not know whether or not there had been any correspondence between Moran and Miss Helmer. She also stated that if Doctor Moran returned to Depue, she would undoubtedly hear of it and would immediately telephone the Chicago office.

Miss Glover further advised that Reta Orland was also a personal friend of her's, Miss Glover; that she had seen Reta Orland on Monday, April 30, 1934; that at this time Mrs. Orland stated she was going to leave Springvalley the latter part of that week and go to work for a Doctor in Chicago, but Mrs. Orland did not say where this Doctor lived or what his name was.

Mr. E. J. Welter, Sheriff of LaSalle County, Ottawa, Illinois, stated that he knew Joseph P. Moran and that the latter was absolutely no good and would be a willing confederate in any criminal action. Welter stated that Moran has been in and out of LaSalle and Springvalley, Illinois occasionally and that once or twice he had been accompanied by a man who appeared to be of a very questionable character. Welter stated that he was a parole officer at Joliet, Illinois while Moran was confined there, and that Moran was an expert surgeon, losing only two patients out of more than one hundred operated on at Joliet. Welter stated that Moran had many opportunities to meet hoodlums while confined in Joliet and that he did not doubt but that he had many such contacts in Chicago. It was Welter's opinion that, since resuming practice in Chicago, Moran has become a professional abortionist; that he also thought that Mary Bowers, after her first parole, had performed a number of abortions and he also thought that her parole had been revoked.

Welter stated that Moran's brother and other members of his family were respectable persons and he doubted that James Moran would attempt to conceal his brother. Welter further advised that Mr. Skelly, Chief Parole Officer, Transportation Building, Chicago, Illinois, should have a complete file on Moran.

The records of the Circuit Court of LaSalle County, were examined, and file number 51724 shows that on October 12, 1928, an indictment was filed against Joseph P. Moran, May Bowers and Vera Kubera. This indictment is in four counts, charging murder by abortion and alleges that on or about the second day of July, 1928, the three persons named in the indictment, performed an abortion on Tillie Hartel, who died as a result on July 25, 1928. The Docket Book shows that on November 18, 1928, Moran and May Bowers pleaded guilty to the second and fourth counts, the abortion counts of the indictment, and each was sentenced to serve one to ten years in the Joliet penitentiary. The case as to Vera Kubera was nol-prossed on November 19, 1928. The record further shows that May Bowers and Vera Kubera were represented by M. J. Falletti, attorney. No attorney was entered on the records for Joseph Moran.

Mr. John Hart, Acting Postmaster, Ottawa, Illinois, was interviewed concerning James E. Edwards, who is stated to be a friend of Joseph P. Moran. Mr. Hart advised that James E. Edwards was formerly a driver for the Sanicula Mineral Springs Company and that he had married a Miss Mary Brown, whose father, Walter Brown, is a District Manager for the Illinois Public Service Company. He also advised that Edwards had just been elected Democratic Precinct Committeeman; is now an insurance broker with offices at 127 1/2 West Main Street, LaSalle; that he resides with his father-in-law at 629 Marcey Street, Ottawa, Illinois; is of good habits and character and could be trusted to keep an interview confidential.

Mr. Edwards was then interviewed and he stated that he had known Joseph P. Moran casually for several years but had never been an intimate friend. Edwards stated that in January, 1934, he had gone to Chicago to see Moran and to try to sell him an insurance policy. At that time he took an application from Joseph Moran for a \$5,000.00 policy in the Travelers Insurance Company. Edwards produced this application, number 6434300, which is dated January 12, 1934. This application gives Moran's birth date as May 8, 1895, his age as 39 years, place of birth as Springvalley, Illinois. The application further states that Moran is single, by occupation is a physician and surgeon, and his address as 4861 Irving Park Boulevard, Chicago. The application further sets out that Moran has \$10,000.00 of Government Insurance, issued in 1917. The Travelers Insurance Company declined to issue this policy due to the hazard involved.

Edwards also produced a copy of a statement of Moran's personal history which had been prepared on December 9, 1933 for the

Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company in an endeavor to secure a \$5,000.00 policy. This statement gives Moran's height as 5 feet 11 inches, weight, 175 pounds, states that his father and mother and four brothers are dead, and that one brother and three sisters are still living. This application was also declined on account of the moral hazard involved.

Edwards stated that he last saw Moran about the middle of February, 1934, at which time Moran stated he was making over \$600.00 a month and was then buying furniture in preparation of marrying a Chicago girl.

Edwards stated that he has seen James Wilson around the office and that he was assisting Dr. Moran with his office practice. It was Edwards' belief that James Wilson was studying medicine at Illinois University and that Dr. Moran was assisting him by paying his tuition fee.

It is this Agent's opinion that Dr. Joseph P. Moran has not returned to Spring Valley or that vicinity at this time and that if he does appear there, this office will be promptly notified.

On May 1st, 1934, Special Agent K. R. McIntire, telephonically requested the Superintendent of Identification, Illinois State Penitentiary, Joliet, Illinois, to furnish the Chicago Division Office with Dr. Joseph P. Moran's record while a prisoner at that institution, copies of his fingerprints, and six photographs, including a handwriting specimen.

On May 2nd, 1934, a letter was received from W. L. Petty, Superintendent of Identification of the above mentioned institution, in which he advised that Dr. Joseph P. Moran was known at this institution as inmate No. 2382-E; that he was received on November 17th, 1928, from LaSalle County, Illinois, on a charge of abortion, and received a sentence of from one to ten years; that his last parole was December 15th, 1931, and was discharged on final parole January 17th, 1934. Enclosed with this communication were two copies of Dr. Moran's fingerprints, six photographs, and a specimen of his handwriting, which are being retained in the Chicago Division Office file.

On May 3rd, 1934, a communication was received from Frank D. Whipp, Warden, Illinois State Penitentiary, Joliet, Illinois, advising that the following persons corresponded with Dr. Joseph P. Moran while incarcerated in that institution:

Mrs. Kate Lench, 222 E. 2nd St., Spring Valley, Illinois.
Thomas J. Moran, West Cleveland Street, Spring Valley, Illinois.
Mrs. Anna B. Moran, 222 E. 2nd St., Spring Valley, Illinois.
Miss Dorothy Strickland, Peru, Illinois.
Dr. James J. Moran, Spring Valley, Illinois.
Mrs. Anne LaChappelle, Tabernash, Colorado.
Mr. Con Brown, Wyanet, Illinois.
Miss Odessa Helmer, Davenport, Illinois.
E. J. Welter, Chicago, Illinois.
Harry Cox, Wyoming, Illinois.
Lou Zegring, (attorney) Princeton, Illinois.
Hugh Maltby, 1640 So. Michigan Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.
Hon. Michael Fahay, Toluca, Illinois.

On May 22nd, 1934, the Chicago Division Office requested the Division to furnish the criminal record of Dr. Moran. On May 29th, 1934, the Division reported by letter advising that Dr. Moran's criminal record is as follows:

Subject, as Joseph "B". Moran, alias Joseph "C". Moran, No. 2382, received State Penitentiary, Joliet, Illinois, November 17th, 1928, from LaSalle County, Illinois; crime, abortion; sentence, one to ten years; paroled; returned from parole January 23, 1931, again paroled December 15th, 1931.

The Division advised that a notation has been made in the files of the Division to the effect that Moran is wanted and the Chicago Division Office will be advised immediately in the event subsequent information is received relative to his whereabouts.

From a telephone call sheet at the Irving Hotel, located at Cicero Avenue and Irving Park Blvd., Chicago, Illinois, which is the residence of DOCTOR JOSEPH P. MORAN and his Assistant, JAMES WILSON, and which rooms are also frequented by persons referred to as "SLIM" and "IZZY", it was learned that DOCTOR MORAN, when calling for a taxi cab, always called the Checker Cab Company, telephone number PALISADE 0920 and asked for CAB NO. 5379; further, that this number was asked for sometime during Friday afternoon, April 27, 1934, on which date, it was ascertained by Special Agents L. D. Nichols and R. D. Brown, Doctor Moran and his Assistant left the hotel hurriedly, sometime during the afternoon or evening.

With a view to determining the place to which Doctor Moran and his Assistant, Wilson, went upon leaving the Irving Hotel, Special Agent H. H. Reinecke called at the general offices of the Checker Cab Company, 1401 West Jackson Blvd., and learned that Cab No. 5379 is owned and operated by EARL SCHEIDLER, 5338 Waveland, known as Driver No. 3967, and by AMBROSE PAROWSKI, 3935 North Kilbourn Street, known as Driver No. 5106. These men were brought to the Chicago Division Office and interviewed by Agents Brown and Reinecke.

AMBROSE PAROWSKI stated he met Doctor Moran approximately three months ago, at which time Doctor Moran stated he had recently had an automobile accident and had been injured, and that he intended to make more liberal use of taxicabs in the future instead of driving his own car; that his automobile had been wrecked and he was about to purchase a new automobile. Parowski stated he often took Doctor Moran to the Washingtonian Hospital; that on one occasion, two or three months ago, while discharging Doctor Moran at this hospital, a man walked up to the cab before Doctor Moran emerged and Doctor Moran gave him some money and told him he would see him again later. The description given by Parowski of this man was similar to the description of the person referred to in this case as "IZZY". He stated he has not seen this man since.

PAROWSKI stated that Doctor Moran gave to the desk clerk at the Irving Hotel, his (Parowski's) cab number and telephone number and told the desk clerk to call him whenever he (Moran) needed a cab.

When asked concerning the calls from Doctor Moran for services on Friday, April 27, 1934, Parowski stated that about 4:30 A.M., Friday morning, he received a call from Doctor Moran's apartment and took a woman to a point on South Elizabeth Street, which he believed

to have been about 5529. He stated this woman was fairly attractive, with brown hair, wearing a small black hat, but he was unable to furnish any better description. He also stated that on Friday, April 27, 1934, about 7:00 P.M., he received a call from Doctor Moran's apartment, at the Irving Hotel, and that his fare was a stunning blonde woman, about 25 years of age, of medium height and build, whom he took to 1450 West 59th Street, which is a beauty parlor; that he had conversation with this girl and she stated she owned the beauty parlor at this address. He stated she was very liberal and gave him a 50¢ tip. He was unable to state whether she wore a wedding ring. This appears to be of some significance, in view of the fact that "SLIM" is supposed to be married to a beauty parlor operator. This fact will be closely developed.

PAROWSKI was questioned as to whether he ever received a call from DOCTOR MORAN, at which time his fare or one of his fares was a person whose description is similar to the description of "SLIM" referred to in this case, which description was furnished Parowski. He stated he picked up a person of this approximate description, about two months ago at the Irving Hotel, as a result of a call from Doctor Moran's room, and drove this person to some point in Evanston, Illinois; that he became lost in trying to find the address this person wanted and he is unable to state now even the approximate address. He stated he has not seen this person since that time.

EARL SCHEIDLER, the joint owner of the aforementioned taxicab, stated he was unable to recall DOCTOR MORAN, JIMMY WILSON, or persons fitting the descriptions of "SLIM" or "IZZY". He further stated he had had only one call from the Irving Hotel during the past three months.

Both Scheidler and Parowski stated it is entirely possible Doctor Moran could have called PALISADE 0920 and asked for Cab No. 5379 but had been unable to obtain this cab, either because it was out on a fare or because some other driver was ahead in the line.

The address and telephone number of the Chicago Division Office was furnished both these drivers and they promised to immediately call this office should they again receive a call from Doctor Moran, Jimmy Wilson, or have occasions to drive the persons referred to as "Slim" and "Izzy". It is believed that they are both reliable. They desire that their names not be mentioned in connection with any calls which they may make.

Chicago, Illinois
May 9, 1934

MEMORANDUM FOR FILE:

Re: BREKID CASE

Under instructions from Special Agent K. R. McIntire, agent conducted the following investigation:

An attempt was made to determine who the occupants of 1450 W. 69th Street are, in connection with Dr. Moran, who is wanted in the above-entitled case. Accordingly, Agent made a survey of the premises at 1450 W. 69th Street, and it was determined that the property is occupied by a barber shop operated by a Mr. Carmine Lurgio. While Agent was having a hair cut in the barber shop operated by Mr. Lurgio, he entered into a conversation with him and ascertained the following: that this property is divided into two small stores, both of which are owned by Mr. Lurgio and that he rents out the second portion of his store to two young ladies, who operate the Ruth Permanent Wave Shop. He stated that that shop was originally operated by a young lady named Ruth, whose last name, of Polish derivation, he could not recall, and that she operated this shop for about nine years. He stated that she recently sold the shop to her two sisters, who are named Sophie and Belle. Both of these young ladies are married to men of Polish extraction, one of whom is a minister.

Mr. Lurgio stated that despite the fact that these two young ladies are married, he knows that they go around quite a lot, and that it might be possible that one of these young ladies may have been mixed up in some affair with Dr. Moran. After determining that Mr. Lurgio could be relied upon, Agent introduced himself in his official capacity and questioned Mr. Lurgio quite extensively concerning the actions of these young women in their Beauty Shop. Mr. Lurgio stated that quite a few men call at various hours at this shop, but to his knowledge, these relationships are conducted on a very friendly, but quiet basis, and that the young women have never caused him any trouble. Agent showed Mr. Lurgio a picture of Dr. Moran, but he was unable to definitely say that he could recall seeing this person. He stated, however, that it is possible that Dr. Moran may have called at the Beauty Shop at some time or other, during a rush hour at his shop, and he therefore would not remember seeing his face. He did recall, however, that he had heard one of the young ladies discuss some doctor, but the exact nature of the conversation, he did not remember. Agent ascertained that the Phone Number of the Ruth Permanent Wave Shop is Hamlock 2660. Arrangements were made with Mr. Lurgio to notify this office if Dr. Moran should call at that shop, or if he should hear any more conversation concerning him, of a vital nature.

Agent noticed a third young lady appear in the barber shop, and upon questioning Mr. Lurgio, it was determined that this young lady was a cousin of the girls who operate the beauty shop, and whose name Mr. Lurgio did not know. He stated that she, at various times assists in the beauty shop during rush periods.

The following descriptions were gained from Agent's personal observation:

SOPHIE (Last name unknown)
 Age: 26 years
 Height: 5'6"
 Hair: Yellowish
 Complexion: Fair
 Build: Large

BELLE (Last name unknown)
 Age: 25 years
 Height: 5'2"
 Hair: Peroxide Blonde
 Complexion: Dark
 Weight: 105#
 Build: Small

COUSIN (Name unknown)
 Height: 5'1"
 Hair: Medium Brown, bobbed
 Weight: 100#
 Build: Small

Agent interviewed Mr. Mose Pelletier, who is Vice President of the Peabody Coal Company of this city, who stated that he knew Dr. Joseph Moran, the party involved in this case, but that he had not seen him for about thirty years. He stated that he knew this man while he was a young boy back in Spring Valley, Illinois, but that he has not seen him for the period above-mentioned. Mr. Pelletier also stated that he knows Dr. James J. Moran, a brother of suspect, who resides in Spring Valley, Illinois.

In conducting neighborhood investigations concerning Miss Elizabeth Tracey who resides at 2718 N. Ridgeway, and who is supposedly engaged to marry Dr. Moran, Agent ascertained the following information: A family by the name of Tracey, who reside at 2718 N. Ridgeway Avenue, consists of the following members:- An elderly lady who is probably the Mother, and head of the family, a young couple whose name is Tracey and who have a baby, and an unmarried young lady who is called Mary. This young lady is probably the person in whom we are interested.

While parked in his car near this residence, Agent started a conversation with a young man by the name of Teddy, who stated that he lived across the street from the Tracey family. This young man seemed to be above the average in intelligence and was very courteous. Accordingly, Agent questioned him at length concerning the Tracey family, and the following information was obtained. The information set out above, concerning the family was repeated

and in addition to this, Agent was informed that a Pontiac sedan bearing a doctor's insignia, had been parked at different times in front of the home. It was the belief of Teddy that the elder Mrs. Tracey was ill, and that this doctor was called to attend her. He stated that the last time he noticed the car was about two weeks ago. He also stated that the unmarried lady at this address spends quite a bit of her time in the company of other young ladies, and that he sees her leaving the house almost every evening, in their company. To his knowledge, he stated that the young lady spends most of the day at home. Agent informed Teddy that he was from the Department of Justice, but did not give him any indication of the nature of and reasons for these inquiries. Agent asked this young man to be on the lookout for this Pontiac car, and to make a note of the license number, and that Agent would probably contact him at some time in the near future. While Agent was parked in the car, talking to this boy a Lincoln Sedan, bearing license 701-829 Illinois 1934 license, drove up and stopped in front of the Tracey home. In the car were the young couple referred to above as the young married couple living at this address. Teddy informed Agent that neither of these persons were employed, and that they left the home early each morning, returning late in the afternoon.

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M. CHAFFETZ,
Special Agent

Chicago, Illinois,
May 10, 1934

MEMORANDUM FOR FILE:-

Re: BREKID CASE

Agent interviewed Frank Vitacco, 8745 S. Paulina Avenue, who is a postman who delivers mail to 1450 W. 69th Street. These premises are those in which is located The Ruth Permanent Wave Shop, the operators of which are under surveillance. Mr. Vitacco, upon questioning, stated that he has delivered mail to this address, addressed to Miss Sonia Khyuava, which person also receives mail under the name of Sophie Conlon. Mr. Vitacco stated that this lady has been married twice, and that the name of Conlon was her first married name. He also stated that he has, on various occasions, heard this woman named Conlon say that she was divorced from this man named Conlon, whose first name he does not recall, who is now in a prison in Indiana for auto theft. He also stated that she receives letters on the average of one a month from Conlon, and addressed to Sophie Conlon. Upon request, Mr. Vitacco stated that he has seen other letters come from the State of Indiana, but does not recall exactly from what town. He also stated that he knows that this young lady receives mail from her first mother-in-law, Mrs. Conlon.

Mr. Vitacco also informed agent that a woman by the name of Belle, whose last name he did not recall and who is a sister of Sophie Conlon, also receives mail at this address, but only on the average of one a month. He also stated that he delivers mail at this address, which is addressed to Ruths Permanent Wave Shop. Agent questioned Mr. Vitacco as to whether he has ever noticed any letters bearing the name of Dr. Moran, but he answered in the negative. Agent advised Mr. Vitacco that should he ever notice this name appearing on any mail delivered to this address, that he should mark it, including the mark, and return address, and return it immediately to the office. Mr. Vitacco stated that he would mark the postmarks and return addresses of all mail delivered to this address from the State of Indiana.

If this office should desire to contact Mr. Vitacco, the phone number to be used is Prospect 2818, which phone is located in the floor above Mr. Vitacco's residence, and upon asking for him, he will be called to the phone.

MC/dr

M. CHAFFETZ,
Special Agent.

In the report of Special Agent W. O. Ryan, Chicago, Illinois, dated November 1st, 1933, in the case entitled, "William Sharkey with aliases, Roger D. Touhy with aliases, et al, John Factor, Victim, Kidnaping," the following information relative to Dr. Joseph Patrick Moran is contained and is being listed in the body of this report:

"On August 23rd, 1933, Dr. Joseph Patrick Moran, who had been located by Sergeant Frank Freemuth and who, as shown by the records of the Oak Park Hospital, Oak Park, Illinois, operated on Charles Connors in June, 1932, called at the Chicago Division office and was interviewed by Special Agent Jay C. Newman. He stated that he practices medicine at 4861 Irving Park Boulevard, and can be contacted any time by leaving a message at Avenue 2300.

"Dr. Moran, who claimed to be single, stated that in 1928 he was sentenced at LaSalle, Illinois, to serve from one to ten years in the Joliet Penitentiary for performing an illegal operation while practicing medicine and surgery at LaSalle. His Joliet number was 2382 and he was paroled in December, 1931. He claimed to have been engaged in medical work while in Joliet and to have operated upon approximately 4500 persons including prisoners and officials. While here he met various labor leaders visiting from Chicago and was informed that when paroled he could come to Maywood, Illinois, and do work for the Chicago Chauffeurs, Teamsters and Helpers Union.

"Upon being paroled from Joliet, according to Moran, he went to Maywood, Illinois, and contacted Jim Farmer, agent for the Chicago Chauffeurs, Teamsters and Helpers Union, which union had offices in the Union Building located at 503 Main Street. Timothy J. Lynch, former head of the union, had been killed in November, 1931, and there did not seem to be any head at the time Moran reported. Soon after he arrived he met Edward J. McFadden, (known to him as Eddie McFadden). McFadden had been a friend of Lynch's. Later he met Michael Norris (or Mickey Norris), a labor man who was a friend of McFadden's. At that time the union had a sick benefit system in operation and it was Moran's work to take care of union members who were in need of medical attention.

"In February or March, 1933, according to Dr. Moran, the supposed Capone Syndicate (Murray Humphries, "Three Fingers Jack" White, et al) kicked McFadden, Norris and the others out of the Chicago Chauffeurs, Teamsters and Helpers Union, and took over the same. Moran continued on as the union physician under the new arrangement until about the first of August, 1933, when he was told to "get out" and did so very obligingly. He then went to his present location without leaving a forwarding address.

"Relative to his contacts with various hoodlums, Moran stated that while in the Joliet Penitentiary he had occasion to examine Martin Durkin and found him to have a mitral murmur in his heart. It is Moran's opinion that Durkin will not live much longer.

"Some months after arriving at the Union Headquarters in Maywood, according to Moran, he met Charles E. Connors, who came to his office suffering from stomach trouble. At that time Connors had a sub-acute appendix and about two days later, in about June, 1932, he operated on him at the Oak Park Hospital in Oak Park, Illinois, removing his appendix. Connors was in the hospital ten days and visited him at his office two or three times during the next month or two, but has not been seen by Moran since the Capone Syndicate allegedly took over the union in about March, 1933. Moran stated that he did not know anything about Connors' personal history, activities or connections. Likewise, he did not know where Connors resided at the time he was given the medical attention. He informed that he had seen Connors around the Union Headquarters with Eddie McFadden two or three times but that they did not appear intimate. Moran stated that Connors' stomach is in pretty bad shape and that he might be bothered now with bowel trouble. He recalls having removed a small part of the bowel near the appendix at the time of performing the appendicitis operation. Moran stated that Connors did not have any visible cancer on his tongue at the time he operated on him. He was asked if a five percent solution of silver nitrate such as that found at the Glenview house would be used for cancer and he stated positively that it would not, adding that such a solution would no doubt be used as an eye wash or for a social disease.

"Dr. Moran further stated that he had also operated on Eddie McFadden's son, James E. (Andy) McFadden, for appendicitis, also on Johnnie Ryan, a relative of Morris, for the same trouble. Both of these operations were performed at the Oak Park Hospital during the Summer of 1932. Moran denied knowing Roger Touhy or other reputed members of the Touhy gang and stated that he had not seen any of the persons mentioned for many months and knew nothing about their activities.

"Moran stated that he was engaged to marry a sister of Matt Tracy or Tracey, whose name appears as a reference on the car papers of Eugene Crotty (Charles E. Connors) at the Litsinger Motor Company, but he disclaimed knowing of Tracy's activities."

On May 2nd, 1934, Special Agent in Charge, M. H. Purvis, was advised by an anonymous person that the godfather of Joseph P. Moran is Mose Pelletier, who is Vice President of the Peabody Coal Company,

Chicago, Illinois, and is reported to be residing at the Drake Hotel, Chicago, Illinois; that Pelletier was formerly a partner of Dr. Moran's brother in Spring Valley, Illinois; that Betty (or Elizabeth) Tracy, who is the fiancée of Dr. Moran, resides at 2718 North Ridgeway, Chicago, Illinois, and is employed by the Civil Service Commission, City Hall, Sixth Floor, Chicago, Illinois.

Mr. Purvis was further advised that one Jimmie Tracy, a brother of Elizabeth, is connected with a new Coal Teamsters Union, of which "Lefty" Lynch, who is forming the new union, is the head. This union is recognized by the American Federation of Labor. He was also informed that "Lefty" Lynch was sent to the Illinois State Penitentiary at Joliet, Illinois, several years ago for robbery and he is now a subordinate of States Attorney Courtney, Chicago, Illinois, and has quarters on South Ashland Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, south of Harrison Street, near Polk Street, and is generally regarded as being "wrong". He was further advised that Matt Tracy is a brother of Betty and Jimmie Tracy, and these are the nephews and niece of "Eddie" McFadden, a former subject in connection with the kidnaping of William Hamm, Jr.

Chicago, Illinois
May 14, 1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR FILE

RE: BREMER CASE

Agent interviewed Mr. Roy Woods, salesman for the Larry O'Rourke Auto Finance Company of 945 Washington Blvd. who stated that he recalls a Dr. Joseph Moran calling at his automobile company about two weeks ago to negotiate a deal on a car but that this deal was never completed.

He also stated that he knows that the Equitable Finance Company is trying to locate Dr. Moran because he has failed to make his payments on a car purchased by him from the Larry O'Rourke Company. While talking to Mr. Woods, Mr. O'Rourke himself came in and furnished agent with the following information:

That he had sold Dr. Moran a Chrysler in the fall of 1933 but that Dr. Moran had wrecked that car, the purchase of which was financed through the Automobile Bonding Company of this city and which company took the car after its being wrecked because it had not been entirely paid for. He also stated that he again sold Dr. Moran an automobile March 15, 1934. This car is described as follows: 1933 Pontiac 8 Sedan, Black Body, Motor No. 935155 and Serial No. 815227. Mr. O'Rourke stated that this car was financed through the Equitable Finance Company located at 332 South Michigan Avenue, and that this finance company was also trying to locate the car because Dr. Moran had failed to make his payments on it.

Other information furnished by Mr. O'Rourke was to the effect that he once overheard Dr. Moran say that he was engaged to marry a girl who is working at the City Hall and it was customary for him, on numerous occasions, to call for this young lady. He also recalled that Dr. Moran at one time had an office in Maywood, Illinois. He also recalled that a party by the name of McKenna had recommended him to Moran on information furnished by McKenna that Moran was interested in buying a car. Mr. O'Rourke did not recall any other information pertaining to Mr. Moran, but stated that he would try to locate it and furnish this office with that information.

Agent informed Mr. O'Rourke to keep in touch with this office concerning any new information he may ascertain concerning Dr. Moran and his whereabouts.

Mr. O'Rourke and Mr. Woods were shown pictures of "Slim" and they stated that they were pretty positive that he was the person who called with Dr. Moran on various occasions at the Larry O'Rourke Company.

Agent interviewed Mr. P. S. Herst of the Equitable Finance Company, located at 332 South Michigan Avenue. Mr. Herst showed agent his company's files reporting Dr. Moran's application for credit and the finance of the car purchased by him from Larry O'Rourke. These records disclose the following information:

Dr. Moran gave as his address 4861 Irving Park Blvd. His prior address was given as 503 Main Street, Maywood, Illinois. He listed his nearest relative as Dr. James Moran, a brother living in Spring Valley, Illinois. References given by Dr. Moran on his application were: Jim O'Keefe of the O'Keefe Bros. Coal Company - Phone Lawndale 0637; Dr. Mackay - Pensacola 7702. This information appeared on an application filed by Dr. Moran through the G. M. S. Finance Company, dealers in used automobiles located at 4635 Washington Blvd. This application was made out when Dr. Moran was going to buy a Buick car from this finance company but records show that this car was never purchased. It was also noticed that on this application Dr. Moran stated he owned \$11,000. worth of property in LaSalle, Illinois.

On the application signed by Dr. Moran through the Larry O'Rourke Company on the purchase of the car that he purchased on March 15, 1934 from that company, the following information appeared in addition to the facts already set out in the prior application: Address was given as 4849 Irving Park Blvd. References: The Public Loan Company - Pensacola 8814 and Dr. Hall Billeg, 503 Main Street, Maywood, Illinois - Phone, Maywood 1235.

This application also showed that Dr. Moran stated that he carried a \$15,000. life insurance policy with the Massachusetts Life Insurance Company.

Mr. Herst also informed agent that his company is conducting an investigation in an effort to locate either Dr. Moran or his car. He stated that they are not interested in the doctor personally since they are privileged to snatch the car off the street when they locate it. Agent informed Mr. Herst that this office is attempting to locate Dr. Moran but gave Mr. Herst no inkling as to the nature of the case in which the doctor is involved. Mr. Herst informed agent that his company would be glad to cooperate with the Division in any manner that we might suggest. Agent informed Mr. Herst that he would discuss the situation with the supervisor of this case here in the office and would call him back in order to give him the information obtained.

Mr. Herst stated that in conducting their investigation he had personally called Dr. James Moran in Spring Valley, Illinois and inquired whether Dr. Joseph Moran is located there, but did not inform Dr. James Moran as to the nature of his inquiry. He received a very curt answer to his question that Dr. James Moran had no information concerning his brother.

He also stated that one of their investigators who is planted in the Irving Hotel had been informed by Dr. Mackay that Dr. Moran was downstate because of the death of a member of his family.

Agent informed Agent Brown concerning the investigation being conducted by the Equitable Finance Company as soon as he returned to the office. Accordingly Agent Brown called Mr. Herst on the phone and asked him to suspend their investigation for a few days and that this office would inform Mr. Herst concerning any developments that might arise concerning the car that Mr. Herst is trying to locate. Mr. Herst informed Agent Brown that he would be glad to comply with the Division's request and would be willing to cooperate to the fullest extent.

MC:EH

M. CHAFFETZ
Special Agent.

Chicago, Illinois,
May 14, 1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE FILE:

Re: BREMER CASE

Agent, with prior permission obtained from Mr. Herst of the Equitable Finance Co., represented himself to Miss Elizabeth Tracey as a representative of that company. This interview with Miss Tracey took place at the offices of the Civil Service Commission of the City of Chicago. Agent represented himself as being interested in the location of a car driven by Dr. Moran and upon which the above company has a lien.

Miss Tracey stated that she was once engaged to Dr. Moran, although it was noticed that she is still wearing an engagement ring. She also stated that she has not seen Dr. Moran for three weeks, during which period she has not heard anything from him. Miss Tracey also remarked that she does not know anything about the doctor's whereabouts nor can she explain his absence.

Miss Tracey gave Agent the impression that she does not know Dr. Moran's true character and would, upon proper questioning and handling, cooperate with this office. She also informed Agent that she would call the Equitable Finance Company should she get any information concerning Dr. Moran.

From personal observation the following description of Miss Tracey is set out:

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| Height | 5' 8" |
| Weight | 130 lbs. |
| Hair | Black |
| Eyes | Dark |
| Complexion | Fair |
| Build | Medium |
| Eyeglasses | Was wearing white gold rimmed glasses |
| | Dressed very neatly and was wearing a quite prominent engagement ring - appeared to have large feet. |

MC:MG

M. CHAFFETZ,
Special Agent.

On April 15, 1934 Special Agents W. B. Brown and M. J. Chaffetz called at the office of the City of Chicago Civil Service Commission, Chicago City Hall, and requested Miss Elizabeth Tracy, fiancée of Dr. Moran, to call at the Chicago Division office for interview relative to Dr. Moran.

Miss Tracy advised that she resides at 8718 North Ridgeway Street, Chicago, Illinois, and that she is employed as a stenographer for the Chicago Civil Service Commission.

She stated she first met Dr. Moran at a house party in January, 1932; that she saw him occasionally and in July, 1932, became engaged to him; that since that time she has been with him approximately four nights each week until Wednesday, April 25, 1934, which was the date she last saw him. She stated that on that night she had a quarrel with Dr. Moran due to his being intoxicated, and that liquor is Dr. Moran's worst enemy and she will positively not tolerate it, and was able to keep him comparatively sober for the past two years. She stated that on Thursday night, April 26, 1934, she talked on the telephone to Dr. Moran, at which time she again told him she could not tolerate his drinking, which conversation was in effect a continuation of the quarrel.

Miss Tracy was closely questioned as to Dr. Moran's present whereabouts but she stoutly denied knowing where he is now located or having heard from him since Thursday, April 26, 1934; that she has been under the impression that he is angry with her and that he will soon call her again, but due to the lapse of time since the last call, she has become worried about him; that she has called his office on several occasions (this was confirmed by Dr. Mackey), and was told by Dr. Mackey that Dr. Moran had not been at the office for several days. She also stated she has called the Irving Hotel on numerous occasions but was informed on each occasion that Dr. Moran has not appeared at the hotel. She also stated that Dr. Moran's failure to call her, she being his fiancée, has been very embarrassing as her friends and relatives ask her continuously concerning him, and she has been unable to account for his failure to call her. Miss Tracy stated that she knows Dr. Moran is embarrassed financially and has informed her that this is the reason for his failure to set a date for their marriage; that they had recently decided to be married sometime during the fall of 1934, and she has been preparing her trousseau for the event.

When asked if she had often accompanied Dr. Moran to his room, room 210 Irving Hotel, she stated that she had on several occasions after February 18, 1934, on which date he was severely injured in an automobile accident, at which time she was slightly injured.

Photographs of the various suspects in this case were exhibited to Miss Tracy but she was either unwilling or unable to identify any of them. She was closely questioned concerning a friendship between Dr. Moran and a tall slim young man about thirty years of age, who is commonly referred to as "Slim", but she stated she had never met such a person. Similar questioning concerning one Izzy, before referred to, was had without results. She claimed to know very few of Dr. Moran's friends. However, she stated that on Easter Sunday, 1934, she accompanied Dr. Moran in his automobile, which she stated is a Pontiac sedan, from Chicago, Illinois to Spring Valley, Illinois, where they visited Dr. Moran's sister, Mrs. Kate Lauer; that she has corresponded on several occasions since that time with Mrs. Lauer; that Mrs. Lauer is very ill, and she knows that Dr. Moran has recently had a telephone installed in Mrs. Lauer's home in Spring Valley for his convenience in calling her relative to her condition. She also advised that Dr. Moran has a brother who is a doctor in Spring Valley, Illinois, whose name is James Moran, but that Dr. James Moran and Dr. Joseph Moran are not friendly towards each other, but that the reason for this is unknown to her.

Miss Tracy claimed that she was told by Dr. Moran that he once served a term in the Illinois State Penitentiary at Joliet, Illinois, for illegal abortion.

No other information of value could be obtained from Miss Tracy. During the interview she continually requested to be informed as to Dr. Moran's present whereabouts and as to the reason for the Government's inquiries. She was informed that he was wanted for questioning in connection with a very serious matter, and at that time she expressed extreme sorrow and anxiety and shed many tears, indicating her extreme affection for Dr. Moran. Miss Tracy appeared to be a very charming and well mannered young lady, and she gave agents Brown and Chaffetz the impression that she is not in contact with Dr. Moran and does not know his present whereabouts. She was advised that the Government would spare no expense in locating Dr. Moran in connection with this charge, and that he will be hunted for the remainder of his life unless he calls the Chicago Division office and explains the reason for his absence from Chicago, and certain other actions which could not be disclosed to her. She appeared to agree with agents that it would be much to Dr. Moran's benefit should he agree to questioning as he might prove himself entirely innocent in connection with the case for which he is wanted. She promised to call the Chicago Division office immediately should she obtain any information which might lead to Dr. Moran's whereabouts.

Since the interview with Miss Tracy, Special Agent Brown has called her telephonically on several occasions, and she has steadfastly maintained that she has heard nothing whatsoever concerning Dr. Moran's whereabouts since last interviewed.

Acting on information received from Mr. J. P. Doyle, Assistant Postmaster, Spring Valley, Illinois, that Dr. Joseph P. Moran was expected to visit his sister, Kate Lauer, at Spring Valley, Illinois, on Mothers Day, May 13, 1934, Agents E. C. Jamison and J. H. Rice proceeded to that city on the afternoon of Saturday, May 12, 1934.

Mr. R. J. Conway, an attendant at the Shell Oil Station in Spring Valley, Illinois, was interviewed Saturday evening, but stated that he had not seen Dr. Moran or Dr. Moran's car in the vicinity of the Lauer residence.

Mr. A. J. Falletti, Postmaster, Spring Valley, Illinois, and Mr. J. P. Doyle, Assistant Postmaster, were then interviewed and stated that they had seen no evidence of Dr. Moran being in Spring Valley up to that time. Mr. Doyle advised that a woman employed by the Post Office at Spring Valley resided next door to Mrs. Kate Lauer and that Mrs. Lauer had informed this woman that Dr. Moran would be in Spring Valley on Mothers' Day. Mr. Doyle stated, however, that he did not believe that Dr. Moran would show up as Mrs. Lauer had just received a Mothers' Day greeting card from Elizabeth Tracy of Chicago, Illinois, who is the fiancée of Dr. Joseph P. Moran. Mr. Doyle advised that the attendants at the Shell Oil Station, near the Lauer residence, and the woman employee of the Post Office, who resides next door, were keeping a watch on the Lauer residence and that he, Doyle, would be immediately advised if Dr. Moran appeared.

On May 13, 1934, Agents R. D. Brown and M. Chaffetz arrived at Spring Valley, Illinois, and Mr. Doyle was again contacted. Mr. Doyle stated that there had been no evidence of Dr. Moran's presence in the town but that he, Doyle, was keeping a careful watch and would immediately notify the agents if he should appear. Agents remained at Spring Valley and LaSalle, Illinois, until 6:30 p.m. Sunday night, at which time Mr. Doyle was again interviewed, and he stated that Moran had not appeared in Spring Valley during the day and that it was his opinion he would not come to that town.

The attendants at the Shell Oil Station were also re-interviewed but stated that neither Moran nor his car had been seen about the town during the day. Agents therefore returned to Chicago.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent W. C. Jamison with reference to Dr. Joseph P. Moran at the offices of George T. Scully, Superintendent of the Illinois State Parole Board. The records of the Board show that Dr. Joseph P. Moran was committed to Joliet Penitentiary November 17, 1928, from LaSalle County, Illinois, after a plea of guilty to abortion, to serve from one to ten years. Dr. Moran was paroled on April 7, 1930. This parole was revoked and Moran was returned to Joliet Penitentiary on January 23rd, 1931. He was re-paroled December 15, 1931, and discharged from parole on January 29, 1934. The records further show that the first sponsor of Dr. Moran was Urban J. Ehrhardt, 143 North Wabash Avenue, Chicago, Illinois; that on June 28, 1930, Ehrhardt ceased to act as sponsor and Con Brown, Wyanet, Illinois, succeeded him. The last sponsor of record is Chief of Police Bailey of Maywood, Illinois, who assumed that duty on April 15, 1932.

According to Moran's history, as set out in the parole file, Moran, after graduating from high school, worked in an automobile repair shop in Boston, Massachusetts while attending Tufts Medical College in that city; that when the United States entered the World War, Moran volunteered and was made a lieutenant in the air service; that he was wounded several times in the service and after his discharge returned to Tufts Medical College where he completed his medical education. Further information in the file with respect to Dr. Moran's family history verified the information previously obtained at Spring Valley, Illinois, which has already been reported.

Mr. P. J. Barry, Parole Officer, stated that it was his information that Dr. Moran, after receiving his second parole, had been a physician for the Touhy mob in Chicago; that he knows a great deal about gang activities in and about Chicago, which information, if he were properly approached, he would no doubt divulge. Barry stated, however, that Moran could not be coerced or intimidated. Barry further advised that he understood that Moran was about to be married to a young woman, whose name was not known to him, but that he understood she was a cousin of Edward Hughes, Secretary of State of Illinois. Barry further stated that Dr. Moran was a very skillful physician and that on the last day of his incarceration at Joliet he had successfully performed thirteen major operations.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents M. Chaffetz and E. L. Richmond on May 22, 1934.

Interview was had with Hugh Mulligan, 7640 South Michigan Avenue, based upon information received in a letter addressed to the Chicago office by the Warden at Joliet showing that Dr. Joseph Moran had written to this party while in Joliet. Mr. Mulligan, upon questioning, stated that he left Spring Valley about twenty-five years ago and that although he was acquainted with the Moran family, especially Dr. James Moran, he did not recall ever having known Dr. Joseph Moran. He did, however, state that he knew of him and that he was practicing medicine in Chicago and that he had also served a term at Joliet.

Upon further questioning Mr. Mulligan stated that he did recall having received a letter from Dr. Joseph Moran while he was in Joliet, this letter asking Mr. Mulligan if he would be able to do anything for Dr. Moran, in obtaining a parole for him. Mr. Mulligan stated the reason he may have received this request was the fact that he is Business Agent for the Asbestos Union, Local #17, of Chicago, Illinois. He also stated that he did not take any action on this letter since it was impossible for him to do anything for Dr. Moran. Mr. Mulligan stated that is his entire connection with Dr. Moran and that he has not seen him recently, nor did he think that he would see or hear from Dr. Moran since he had never done so in the past.

Reference is made to serial number R-136, in which is listed a phone number, Maywood 7766, and which is recorded in the name of B. C. Bollman, 1401 South 12th Avenue, Maywood, Illinois.

This telephone number had been located in the personal effects of Dr. Joseph P. Moran.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents W. C. Jamison and Mr. Chaffetz on May 24 and 25, 1934, in order to determine Mr. Bollman's connection with Dr. Moran.

Captain Engel, 613 North 7th Street, Maywood, Illinois, was interviewed and he stated that he is a mail carrier and that he covers the route in which Mr. Bollman has his home.

He stated that this party has lived at this address for about four years and that he has a wife and daughter who are the only people who receive mail and reside at that address. He stated that Mr. Bollman receives only 5 or 6 letters a week, addressed to only members of the immediate family.

He further stated that he did not know the nature of Mr. Bollman's employment but that from observation he observed that Mr. Bollman drove a Cadillac and Ford car and seemed to live in a rather fashionable manner.

He also stated that Mr. Bollman is never at home during the day but had knowledge that they were in the habit of going out almost every evening in the week.

He also stated that so far as he knew Mr. Bollman was perfectly respectable and one who would furnish any information that he could.

Agents interviewed Chief of Police Bailey of Maywood, Illinois, concerning Bollman.

Chief Bailey stated that the only information he had concerning this party was that he had been a business agent with the Teamsters Union, which Union had been known as an outlaw organization.

When this organization was disbanded Mr. Bollman took a position with the International Union, which position he now holds.

That was the only information Chief Bailey had concerning this party and his records showed that this party never had caused any trouble in the city.

Agents interviewed Lieutenant Johnson of the Chicago Police Department, who stated that he did not have any knowledge concerning Mr. Bollman, but referred Agents to Captain D. Gilbert of the State Attorney's Office.

Captain Gilbert stated that Bollman had been associated with the Teamsters Union, but that after pressure had been brought to bear on this Union organization by the State Attorney's office it had been dissolved. He stated that Bollman had later joined the International Union and had been given the position of covering outlying districts.

Captain Gilbert stated that it had been brought to his attention that Bollman was continuing to shake down union members in small suburban towns and was acting contrary to union regulations.

It was Captain Gilbert's opinion that if Mr. Bollman had any contacts with Doctor Moran that he would not be the proper party to interview since he would furnish no information whatever.

Captain Gilbert stated, however, that he would be very willing to arrange to have Mr. Bollman at his office for questioning, which procedure he was going to undertake on his own accord, because of Mr. Bollman's activities at the present time, and that he would be very willing to have an Agent of this office present at this questioning so that any information that Mr. Bollman could furnish concerning Doctor Moran could be ascertained without Mr. Bollman having any knowledge as to who this Agent was or the reason for his being present. Arrangements were made with Captain Gilbert for Agent Chaffetz to be present at his office at ten A.M. May 28, 1934, where he is to meet Sergeant Kelly, an Officer in Captain Gilbert's office, who is to conduct this interview and questioning of Mr. Bollman.

It is noted here that Captain Gilbert was not informed of the true purpose or reason for this office desiring to question Mr. Bollman.

Reference is made to file or serial number 132, which is a letter from Drank D. Whipp, Warden at Joliet Penitentiary, furnishing this office with information that Mr. R. H. Bailey, Chief of Police, Maywood, Illinois, was one of the parole officers for Doctor Joseph Moran.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents W. C. Jamison and M. Chaffetz on May 24, 1934.

Mr. Henry D. Oakland, Postmaster at Maywood, Illinois, informed Agents that in his opinion the local police force had attained an excellent record and had a reputation of conducting themselves in a very reputable manner, not affiliating themselves with politics or allowing any outside influence to interfere with the quality of their work. He recommended Mr. Bailey, Chief of Police, very highly.

Accordingly, Agents interviewed Chief of Police Bailey concerning his relationship with Doctor Moran, and especially in regards to his position as parole officer.

Mr. Bailey informed Agents that the only contact he had with Mr. Moran was in the following manner:

He stated that he had been asked to be a parole officer of Doctor Moran by Chief Parole Officer Berry, who covers that district. Because of this request Chief Bailey accepted the position in which he only had to sign Doctor Moran's parole paper every two or three months, verifying the fact that Doctor Moran was conducting himself in the proper manner.

After accepting this position, Chief Bailey made various inquiries in order to determine the reputation of Doctor Moran in the city. He found that as far as his ability as a physician was concerned, he was regarded very highly. However, on further inquiry, it was determined that Doctor Moran conducted himself in a very suspicious manner in that he never kept very regular office hours and despite the fact that he was enjoying a very good practice, he lived in a very cheap hotel.

It also came to the attention of Chief Bailey that Doctor Moran was passing bum checks.

Chief Bailey also stated that at one time he noticed Tom McFadden, who was connected with the Touhy gang, and his son, visiting Doctor Moran's office.

Because of all of these circumstances Chief Bailey refused to continue as parole sponsor for Doctor Moran and gave up that position.

He informed Agents that it was his understanding that after he gave up this position, Boss McLaughlin became parole sponsor for Doctor Moran about one year ago.

Chief Bailey informed Agents that Doctor Soffel, dentist, who occupies offices in the same building at the corner of Lake and 5th Streets, in which Doctor Moran had his office, had furnished him with quite a bit of information concerning the activities of Doctor Moran.

He also stated that about one year ago the police inspectors were looking for Doctor Moran, after having traced a stolen bond to his possession.

Chief Bailey stated that he had located Doctor Moran in Chicago at the Irving Park Hotel at that time.

Chief Bailey appeared to be very willing to cooperate in obtaining any information that he may be able to collect because of Doctor Moran's associations in Maywood.

He stated that he would call this office at the earliest opportune time if he should ascertain any information leading to the location of Doctor Moran at the present time.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent W. C. Jamison on May 11, 1934.

Reference is made to two tickets #40830 and 40831 issued on January 11, 1934, by the Stearns Loan Bank, 2345 W. Madison Street, Chicago, Illinois, which were found in the personal effects of Dr. Joseph P. Moran. The Stearns Loan Bank, 2345 W. Madison Street was found to be a pawn shop. Ticket #40830 shows the loan on January 11, 1934, of four dollars made on a tuxedo suit, Hart Schaffner & Marx make. Ticket #40831 shows a loan of one dollar made on the same date on a blue coat and white flannel trousers, Carson Pirie Scott & Company make. These articles were pledged by J. O'Connell of 4109 Fifth Avenue. The record shows his age was given as 35 years and his height as 5'8". 4109 Fifth Avenue was found to be an apartment house and a card in the mail box in the hall gave both the names of O'Connell and Crowley. This building is managed by the Mallon Real Estate Company, 4010 West Harrison Street.

Mr. Charles Mallon was interviewed and he stated that he had known T. F. O'Connell, who resides at 4109 Fifth Avenue, for the past seven years as O'Connell had been renting from him during that period of time. Mallon stated that O'Connell was a real estate man associated with Moran and Sullivan at 123 West Madison Street. Mallon stated that Moran and Sullivan had been in business in Chicago for several years and that he thought both were Chicago men. He stated that he understood Sullivan was an attorney and was under the impression that Moran was also an attorney. Mallon stated that T. F. O'Connell was single, 45-50 years old, height about 6', ruddy complexion; that he had a sister living with him and also a niece, whose name was Lona Crowley. Mallon further stated that O'Connell was prominent in the activities of Catholic Youths Organization.

123 Madison is the Madison Square Building. At the office of this building, Room 801, agent was unable to contact the manager, Mr. Panceo. He was informed, however, by a girl employed in the office, that Moran and Sullivan had been in the building for about five years.

Agent was also informed by Ben Ellis, elevator starter, that Moran was a real estate man and that Sullivan was an attorney; that they had been in the building for a number of years and appeared to do a fairly good business.

Mr. Panceo will be interviewed later for any additional information he can supply.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent W. C. Jamison on May 11, 1934.

Dr. Mackey, 4861 Irving Park Boulevard, was interviewed and stated he had heard nothing further with reference to Moran or Wilson. He advised that on May 10, 1934, Mr. J. D. Yarus of the Victor Storage Warehouses, 4809 West Lake Street, had called at the office and removed all the furniture from the reception room in accordance with the provisions of the Conditional Sales Contract. Dr. Mackey stated he had telephoned this information to the office on that same evening and therefore this agent did not check with the Victor Storage Warehouses as he was uncertain as to whether or not this lead had been assigned to other agents.

Rita Orlandini, 1584 E. Marquette Road, Chicago, Illinois, was contacted by Special Agents M. Chaffitz and E. L. Richmond on May 22, 1934, as a result of information furnished by Assistant Postmaster Doyle of Spring Valley, Illinois, who informed us that this young lady may possibly be in contact with Dr. Joseph Moran.

Miss Orlandini furnished the following information: She stated that her connections with Dr. Moran started approximately four years ago when she worked as a private nurse on cases of his at Spring Valley Hospital. She also stated that she has not seen him since that period, and upon questioning as to why she was in Chicago to see Dr. Moran she gave the following story. She said that about one month ago she met a Dr. Steele, a dentist, of Depue, Illinois, who told her that if she wished to work here in Chicago she might come to the city since Dr. Moran would be able to employ her because of his extensive practice. She further stated that she came to Chicago about three weeks ago after first writing to Dr. Moran concerning her employment by him, but without awaiting a reply from him. Upon arriving in Chicago she called Dr. Moran's office but did not receive a reply. She also stated that on one occasion she called at his office but did not gain admittance since the office was locked. She stated that that was all the effort she has made in trying to locate Dr. Moran, and upon extensive questioning stated that she did think it odd that Dr. Moran had not been in the city for such a long period of time, but that she had no information whatever as to his whereabouts.

Miss Orlandini stated that she knew the nature of the violation that Dr. Moran had committed in the past and about his sentence in Joliet. She would not elaborate upon this phase of her questioning but added that it was her belief that he was not involved in the second trouble that he was supposed to be in in Depue, Illinois, following his parole from Joliet.

Miss Orlandini was questioned extensively but insisted that she knew nothing concerning Dr. Moran's present whereabouts.

Miss Orlandini stated that she has a nurse's certificate in the State of Illinois, having graduated from the Augustana Nursing School in Chicago. Her maiden name was Miss Rita Beyer, and her married name is Mrs. Primo Orlandini. Her husband at the present time is employed in Marseilles, Illinois, after having been unemployed for quite some length of time. She gave the unemployment of her husband as the reason for her coming to Chicago to work for Dr. Moran.

Description of Miss Orlandini from personal observation
of agents:-

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| Height: | 5'8" |
| Weight: | 140 lbs. |
| Build: | Large |
| Hair: | Light brown, bobbed. |
| Eyes: | Blue |
| Nationality: | Apparently American, and husband probably Italian. |
| Occupation: | Registered nurse. |
| Scars and marks: | Cleft in chin. |

On May 1, 1934, Special Agents L. D. Nichols and R. D. Brown conducted an investigation at 4861 Irving Park Boulevard, which is the location of the office maintained by Doctor Joseph Moran and Doctor Leo J. Mackey, Dentist, telephone number Pensacola 7702. Said Agents learned from Doctor Mackey that he was familiar with a party described as "SLIM" and he furnished his books showing he had given dental treatment to "Slim" in the name of R. GRAY EVANS.

Further investigation through the personal effects of Doctor Joseph P. Moran, at the Irving Hotel, disclosed that Moran had called the telephone number Bittersweet 1408 on several occasions. This telephone is unlisted and confidential investigation, through the Illinois Bell Telephone Company, disclosed that this telephone is issued to ROY GRAY, address 626 Waveland Avenue.

On May 2, 1934, Special Agent L. D. Nichols conducted investigation at 626 Waveland Avenue and through Otto Schroeder, Manager of said building, he ascertained that ROY GRAY occupies Apartment No. 11 on the third floor, which is the apartment on the right-hand side, going up. This apartment is not numbered, however. Agent Nichols also observed one letter in the mail box of Roy Gray, said letter being a bill from the Graceland Garage, 3729 Broadway, telephone Buckingham 1779.

Under pretext of being a racketeer, Agent Nichols interviewed parties, names not disclosed, at the said garage and ascertained that GRAY is considered a racketeer; that he is known to be a "bookie"; that Gray drives a new 1934 Ford V-8 Coupe. Nichols also learned that Estelle Gray, the wife of Roy Gray, has a 1932 Buick Sedan now at the Graceland Garage. The garage attendants informed Agent Nichols that Estelle Gray is believed to be a beauty parlor operator and is believed to own a shop located on the North Side of Chicago, which may be the Gladys Beauty Shop, 5029 Winthrop Avenue, telephone Sunnyside 1752.

It was further ascertained by Agent Nichols that the Grays have been living at the above mentioned apartment since November, 1933 and that they have with them, a brother-in-law, whose name and description have not been learned.

Agent Nichols learned that the Buick Sedan, now in the Graceland Garage, is black in color and is the largest type of Buick Sedan manufactured in 1932. It bears 1934 license plates No. 520-157, issued to Estelle Gray, 5248 Winthrop, on January 30, 1934. Proper investigation will be conducted at this address.

Further and more detailed description of the Buick Sedan in question is as follows:-

Motor number 2778426; factory number 2627133; City of Chicago license No. 969, issued to Estelle Gray.

Agent Nichols also learned that in 1932, Estelle Gray lived at 541 Wellington Avenue, Chicago.

The attendants at the Graceland Garage informed Agent Nichols that Mr. and Mrs. Roy Gray usually have their car sent to them at their apartment and that Gray, himself, was last seen on Friday, April 27, 1934. He has not been seen since, nor has his Ford V-8 Coupe been brought to the garage since that date. This Ford V-8 is black in color.

The best available description of Gray's wife, furnished by the attendants of the Graceland Garage, is as follows:-

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| Age: | 30-35 years |
| Build: | Short or medium |
| Hair: | Blonde, with tendency to be red. |

The brother-in-law is described, as follows:-

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| Age: | 25-26 years |
| Height: | 5 feet 7 inches |
| Hair: | Dark |
| Build: | Medium |

Special Agent Nichols also learned that ROY GRAY alias "Slim" is a former tenant of Nick Smith, address not known, but whose telephone number is Graceland 8211. Agent Nichols also learned that Mrs. Gray is known as "Clara" in addition to the name Estelle.

At the apartment, Nichols ascertained that Roy Gray gave as references - Doctor Moran, telephone number Palisade 7180; Mr. Miller, Graceland Garage, Buckingham 1779; and gave as his business address - "27 East Monroe Street, telephone Randolph 9178". Miller has already been interviewed and the information secured will be reported in proper memorandum. Immediate investigation will be conducted at 27 E. Monroe Street. It was later ascertained by Agent Nichols that the Ford V-8 Coupe of Roy Gray is carrying 1934 Illinois license No. 605-583, and that the Grays first commenced renting space at the Graceland Garage in August, 1933. At that time, the Grays lived at 3638 Pinegrove Avenue.

On information secured from Otto Schroeder, Manager of the Apartment Building located at 626 Waveland Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, to the effect that ROY GRAY and his wife and brother-in-law were not in their apartment, No. 11 on the third floor, right-hand side, and after consultation with Assistant Director Harold Nathan, it was deemed advisable that this apartment be examined for any information of value to the investigation and prosecution of this case.

Accordingly, permission was secured by Special Agents K. R. McIntire and H. H. Reinecke, from Mr. Schroeder, to enter this apartment and he provided said agents with the keys thereto. Agents McIntire and Reinecke were accompanied by Special Agents T. E. Billings, J. A. Murphy, J. T. McLaughlin and J. J. Metcalfe. The apartment was examined carefully on May 2, 1934, for information of value, at which time quantities of articles were picked up bearing latent fingerprints. Following is a list of the articles removed from the apartment of ROY GRAY at this time:-

- 1 Colt .25 automatic pistol, serial #327503;
- 1 set of two automobiles keys - one #FT243 and the other FC467, enclosed in a leather case bearing inscription "Verba Motor Company, 5100 West 25th Street".
- 1 Eastman Kodak No. A-130, containing a film on which 4 pictures have been exposed;
- 1 Eastman Kodak Ensemble, containing mirror, on which latent fingerprints may be observed, a camera, a compact and a lipstick;
- 1 Octagonal shaped mirror, on which latent prints may be observed;
- 1 Small bottle of "Rush", a non-perspirant liquid, on which latent prints may be observed;
- 1 Elgin Watch, #4451043; case "Wadsworth, 14 carat gold filled, #6762085;
- 1 Box of Arden Playing Cards;
- 1 Bottle of medicine, purchased at the Waveland Drug Co., 3665 Broadway, Chicago, telephone Wellington 0140; prescribed by Dr. Moran under No. 380006. (Forwarded to the Division for analysis.)
- 1 Set of three nickle-plated liquor cups ("jiggers") in leather container; cups have latent prints;
- 1 Green perfume atomizer on which prints can be observed;
- 1 Ring and watch combined; type of watch - Milos;
- 1 White gold dinner ring - three sets.

- 1 Small jeweled picture frame, $1\frac{1}{2}$ x 2 inches
- 1 Cylindrical bottle, about 6" tall, containing an unknown solution; bottle believed to bear latent fingerprints;
- 1 Cylindrical bottle, about 5", containing brilliantine; bottle seems contain fingerprints;
- 1 Silver covered box, $9\frac{1}{2}$ x $7\frac{1}{2}$ ", on which fingerprints may be found. This box contains the following papers:
 - 1 rental lease issued by the Waveland Avenue Bldg. Corp., L. E. Hoepe, Agent, on Apartment #11, 3rd floor, 626 Waveland Avenue, to ROY GRAY, dated Nov. 1, 1933. This lease has the signature of Roy Gray alias "Slim" and same will be photostated.
 - 1 Apartment Inventory, dated March 16, 1934 carrying as name of building, "3638 - 40 Pinegrove", on which the names of two tenants appear, one - R. Gray (printed in pencil; the other, John Thieroff or Threroff.
 - 6 Rent receipts, issued for Apartment #11, 626 Waveland Avenue, dated 10/30/33; 12/1/33; 1/2/34; 2/1/34; 3/1/34; 4/2/34.
 - 1 Receipt No. 1075, issued by the Martha Washington Hospital to Roy Gray, dated January 25, 1934, showing payment of \$20.00;
 - 1 Cash sale receipt No. 21176-23, issued by O'Connor & Goldberg, dated 4/14/34;
 - 1 Sears-Roebuck cash receipt No. 1764421, dated 1/8/34, in the sum of \$48.20, showing purchase of four 700 x 18 super-All State tires;
 - 1 X-ray report No. 1817, dated 1/26/34, showing examination of Roy Gray, 541 Wellington Avenue, Chicago, Illinois; examination by Dr. Moran, report signed by Dr. B. D. Braum;
 - 5 Illinois Bell Telephone Company receipts issued to Roy Gray, 626 Waveland Avenue, dated - 11/11/33, 12/11/33, 1/11/34, 2/11/34, 3/11/34.
 - 5 Commonwealth Edison Electric Light bills, issued to Roy Gray, 626 Waveland Avenue, for 11/21/33, 12/21/33, 1/22/34, 2/20/34, and 3/22/34.

Contents of Silver Box - Continued;

- 5 Gas receipts, showing purchase of gas from the Peoples Gas, Light & Coke Company, Chicago, Illinois, issued to Clara Gray, dated: 12/1/33, 1/4/34, 2/2/34, 3/5/34, 4/3/34.
- 1 Statement of account with Commonwealth Edison Company in the name of Roy Gray, 626 Waveland Avenue. It is not known whether this is in the handwriting of Roy Gray;
- 1 Business card, disclosing the following information: "Carmen Beauty Shop, 802 Wilson Avenue;
- 1 Business card of Lightning Cleaners, bearing the name H. E. Heywood. This card has the following telephone numbers written on it: "Lakeview 1881" & "Wellington 0140 (Drug Store)". Several letterheads of H. H. Zimmerli Co., 705 Broadway Exchange Building - 1425 South Racine Avenue. This appears to be a dealer in potatoes and onions.
- 1 Letterhead of H. H. Zimmerli Company, containing the telephone number, Longbeach 9851;
- 1 Small snapshot of an unknown woman, on the back of which is written, "This is for my darlings";
- 1 Business card of Ruth's Beauty Shop, 929 Wilson Avenue, Telephone Edgewater 0226, bearing address, "3521 Stewart" written in pencil on face of the card;
- 1 Business card of Acorn Store & Van Company, Main Office 1332 South Kedzie Avenue, Chicago;
- 1 Business card of United Fruit Market, phone Graceland 1120 -- 1325, located at 3829 Broadway;
- 1 Business card of Dr. Maurice S. Altus, dentist, telephone Longbeach 4694, 1200 Sheridan Trust Bank Bldg; also 4753 Broadway at Lawrence;
- 1 Business card of J. M. Houston, M.D., 1614 Roosevelt Road, phones Seeley 6124 - Saginaw 2031;
- 1 Business card of Henry C. Lytton & Sons, bearing name "Jack W. Ford - Men's Clothing";
- 1 Little Giant Webster Dictionary;

- 1 Blue celluloid covered memorandum book for telephone numbers, containing the following names and numbers:-

May. Alb. 6516
Bet. Edg. 3140
Gra. 3811
Sel. 4291
An. 7585 - Cal.
Sue Lak. 10534
Pauline - Longbeach 2185
Edgewater Exchange - Edg. 9900
Bit. 5230
Cal. 5196

Stores, 71st & Jeffrey - Mid. 8850.
"1520" - Edg. 3140 - Betty;
Lak. 10534 - Sue
Apt. 2J at Paulton 6:30 7-730

401 Fullerton Apartment,
501 Grossberg - Moh. 1610

Berkshire 6603 - Shortall, Miller
June -- Newcastle 5027;
Bel. 2956;
Pearl's Beauty Shop, Wellington 5706
Sun. 3414
Longbeach 7241
Cal. 5196;
Stu. 3521;
Mary Blue - Long 7230;
Doc & Lou - Lin. 8215;

- 1 Speed-writing Shorthand book, in which the name "Clara Moore" appears;
- 1 Ever-ready shaving kit, on which prints may be found;
- 1 Small brown coin purse, in which several pills are contained. A laboratory analysis of the pills is to be made at the Division;
- 3 Small mirrors on which latent prints may be found;
- 1 Snapshot of an unknown woman holding a dog, on the back of which is written, "For Sue";
- 1 Snapshot of a dog, on back of which is written "Tyro for Sue";

- 1 Business card of Lightning Cleaners, Buc. 0440, on the back of which is written: "Delivered gloves this A.M. - no answer - (s) Yost";
- 1 Christmas card on which is written in ink - "For my daughter and son - lots of love from Mamma";
- 1 Pair of gray-rimmed sun glasses;
- 1 State of Illinois Resident Hunting License #228649, issued to Roy Gray, containing original signature of Roy Gray - dated Nov. 9, 1933;
- 1 Michigan Boulevard Safe Deposit Company Receipt, No. 41314, issued to Mrs. Clara Gray, for rent of safe deposit box No. 2670, for term of one year from January 7, 1934, signed by John C. Witts;
- 1 Birthday card, bearing inscription in pencil - "April 8 - With love - Mamma";
- 1 Sales slip, No. 8536, in amount of \$7.50, on Seeder & Seeder, Men's Furnishings, 4006 Sheridan Road - 1743 Howard Ave., dated April 28, 1934;
- 1 Small black address book containing following:
"Gretta, Highland 7795; 5821 Virg.;
J.L. - Lo. 6400 - 300 RA";
- 1 Box of Allonal, containing pills; sent to Division for analysis;
- 1 Key, bearing address "Sheridan Hdw. Co., 3821 Broadway - Lakeview 1168;
- 1 Red enamel compact;
- 1 Large photograph of an unknown woman, believed to be the mother of Mrs. Clara Gray;
- 1 Small kodak picture of a boy holding a dog; identity unknown;
- 1 Book "Professional Business English and Business Letters" - containing the name "Miss Clara Moore, 6 East Lake Street, Chicago, Illinois". (This was probably Mrs. Gray's name before her marriage);
- 1 Photograph in red imitation leather frame, of a man believed to be "Slim";
- 1 Snapshot of two young men, identity unknown;
- 2 " " unknown woman; one of woman sitting in a chair;
- 2 Snapshots of two different men standing alone;
- 2 Snapshots of the same young men, one in cadet uniform;
- 1 Snapshot of an elderly woman and man;
- 1 Snapshot of an elderly man with derby hat;
- 1 Snapshot of an unidentified elderly woman;
- 1 Snapshot of a young man looking through door of an automobile;

- 1 Snapshot of an elderly man and woman and a young boy;
- 1 Snapshot of woman sitting on the ground;
- 1 Snapshot of woman dressed in Hudson Seal Coat;
- 1 Snapshot of young woman standing beside automobile;
- 1 Snapshot of three women near filling station;
- 1 Snapshot of elderly woman and two young boys;
- 1 Snapshot of elderly woman standing beside car and an elderly man sitting in the car;
- 1 Snapshot of elderly woman with hand on basket of flowers;
- 1 Postcard picture of two women, standing beside a liquor bar;
- 1 Tintype photograph of two women, on the back of which is written in pencil "Susie & Kid, 1170 So. Norton";
- 1 Christmas card to "Sue and Roy, from Mamma";
- 1 Marshall's Business Speller, in which the name "Miss Clara Moore, #8 East Lake Street, Chicago" appears;
- 1 Gregg Shorthand book;
- 1 Photograph of a baby, taken by Granata Studio, 1551 Taylor Street, corner Ashland Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois;
- 1 State of Illinois Certificate of Title, issued to Estelle Gray, 5248 Winthrop Avenue, Chicago, Ill., on Buick Sedan, Motor No. 2778426, 1932 model, factory #2627133, title 520157;
- 1 Brown leather billfold, containing the following papers:

Car invoice 6676, on North Shore Buick Co., 1030 Davis Street, Evanston, Illinois, 110 So. 1st Street, Highland Park, Ill., showing sale to Estelle Gray, 541 Wellington Ave., Chicago, of a 1932 model Buick, five passenger sedan, motor #2778426, serial 2627133; sale price, \$2,099.00;

Business card of Louis P. Piquett, Attorney, 100 No. La Salle Street (Attorney for John Dillinger);

Business cards (3) of Edw. A. Reynolds, North Shore Buick Company, Evanston & Highland Park Ill., one containing pencil notation "10161 and Gren. 9849 - Service";

Business cards (2) of Al's Place, Park Falls, Wis;

Business cards (2) of Henry C. Lytton & Sons, Chicago, one bearing pencil notation "Gre.0900";

Business card of Art Schmidt, "Muskegon Fishing Camp, Park Falls, Wisconsin";

Business card of Robinson Novelty Co., 160 North La Salle Street., 810 Burnham Bldg., Chicago;

(Contents of billfold - continued)

- 1 Resident hunting license No. 0249793, State of Illinois, for Roy Gray, year 1931, issued at Aurora, Illinois - same containing following description of Gray: Age, 30 years; height, 6 feet; weight, 135 lbs.; eyes, brown; hair, brown.
- 1 Business card of F. Tobie, 214 Institute Place, Chicago, Illinois, telephone Whitehall 6153;
- 1 Card of Midway Motor Radio Service, 1216 West Jackson Blvd., Chicago; telephone, Monroe 1050, with notation - "Barber-Long 1811";
- 1 Card of Jacob Harold Cohen, Attorney, 160 North La Salle St., with some writing on the back that has been partially erased;
- 1 Card of the Club Southland, 6243 Cottage Grove Ave., Chicago;
- 1 Card of Broadway Buick Company, 5701 Broadway, Chicago, Longbeach 7700;
- 1 Card of Marbro Club, 82 & Elm Avenue, North Riverside, Illinois;
- 1 Card of The Embassy Hotel, Milwaukee, Wisconsin;
- 1 Card of Alemite Corporation, for Buick car bearing license 248904 of the year 1932; firm name - North Shore Buick Company, 1572 Maple Avenue;

- 1 Large photograph of an elderly woman, unidentified, picture unframed;
- 1 Small pocket mirror, containing latent fingerprints;
- 1 Cosmetic handbag, containing several bottles and a mirror, same to be examined for latent prints;
- 1 Ladies' brown beaded pocketbook, containing a compact and mirror; to be examined for latent fingerprints;
- 1 Jewelry box, containing .38 caliber bullets;
- 1 Bulova electric clock;
- 1 Green enamel compact, on which latent fingerprints may be observed;
- 1 Box of .25 caliber bullets;
- 1 Box of .38 caliber bullets;
- 8 X-ray negatives of Roy Gray, taken January 26, 1934 by Doctor Moran;
- 1 Remington Shotgun, model 10, serial 255202 (Pump gun 12 gauge);

1 Remington Portable Typewriter - being forwarded
to the Division for analysis and fingerprints;
machine case locked - Agents unable to open it.

On the morning of May 8, 1934, four Agents of the Chicago Division Office were placed in the apartment of Roy Gray, with the permission of Mr. Schroeder, the Manager, in the hope of apprehending Roy Gray, alias "Slim", or other members of the family or gang, should they reappear at the apartment.

On May 2nd, 1934, Special Agents of the Chicago Division Office entered the apartment rented under the name of Roy Gray, 628 Waveland Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, and from that date until May 14th, 1934, Chicago Division Office Agents remained in the apartment under instructions from Special Agent in Charge, M. E. Purvis.

On May 4th, 1934, Special Agents Chaffetz, Muzzey, and McLaughlin were in the apartment and about 1:00 P.M. called the Chicago Division Office and advised that someone had tried to enter the apartment; that the manager, Otto Schroeder, subsequently informed them that two men had called at the apartment house and had paid the rent for one month, the amount being \$35.00, and stated they had been requested by the person residing in the apartment to obtain some clothing therefrom. They were unable to enter the apartment due to the fact that a double lock was attached to the door but stated to Mr. Schroeder that they would return.

At about 2:30 P.M. these two persons returned to the apartment of Roy Gray, at which time Special Agent R. D. Brown and J. R. Welles had stationed themselves near the entrance of the apartment house and noticed a Lincoln Sedan drive up to the apartment house and two men get out of the car and enter the entrance leading to the apartment of Roy Gray, one man remaining in the Lincoln Sedan.

One of the men, who was later found to be Matthew McNamara, pounded profusely at the door and attempted to kick in this door. Special Agent Chaffetz then unlatched the door and McNamara was ordered into the apartment. When this took place, the other man who attempted to gain entrance to the apartment, who was later found to be Sidney Lewis, immediately ran down the stairs and was caught by Special Agent R. D. Brown when he attempted to leave the apartment house. Special Agent J. R. Welles had, in the meantime, detained the driver of the Lincoln Sedan, who was later found to be Simon D. McDonnell. All three men were then taken to the Chicago Division Office for questioning.

Simon D. McDonnell, Jr., was questioned by Special Agent K. R. McIntire and advised that he is an attorney and a member of the firm of McDonnell and McDonnell, office 736 at No. 221 North LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois, residence 7438 Elmwood Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, telephone Rogers Park 8474. He advised that Sidney Lewis was a law clerk employed in his office; that Lewis has a number of criminal connections and is able to refer considerable business to the firm. He further stated that Matthew McNamara is

totally unknown to him and that he had never met McNamara before that day, but believes that his brother, Frank A. McDonnell, once represented McNamara in some sort of criminal suit.

He advised that on May 4th, 1934, he arrived at his offices at 9:00 A.M. and saw no one except the office girl, Elizabeth Lynch; that he then left for Chancery Court and was occupied in Judge Labuy's court at about 9:15 A.M., which court is located in the Cook County Building at Clark and Randolph Streets, seventh floor, South wing. He stated that he filed a motion and petition for an order to show cause in the case that he was working on. He stated that he presented the matter to the court at about 10:00 A.M., was unable to obtain a certified copy of the order at that time and made arrangements to have the certified copy delivered to his office later. He stated that he returned to his office about 11:15 A.M. and found no one in the office other than his stenographer; that he remained in the office about fifteen minutes. He stated that he is unable to recall whether Sidney Lewis, his clerk, called him shortly after his arrival at the office or whether his stenographer informed him that Lewis had called and asked that he meet Lewis at Polk and Paulina Streets. At this point he stated that he had had an appointment to meet Lewis at Chancery Court and from Chancery Court, they, Lewis and McDonnell, were to go to the Criminal Court building to interview a prisoner in the County Jail, but that Lewis failed to make an appearance. He further stated that he had no idea as to why he was to meet Lewis at Polk and Paulina Streets, but that he did meet Lewis at the Northeast corner of Polk and Paulina Streets about 11:45 A.M.

He further stated that he inquired of Lewis as to his reason for failing to appear at the Chancery Court and Lewis told him that he had obtained a new case. He stated that Lewis informed him that he did not know much about the case but thought that he could make a hundred dollars and that it would be necessary to find out if the subject of this new case was wanted by the Police or by the Federal Government; that Lewis then told him that a woman had seen him and had given him \$75.00 and instructed him to go to the apartment of Roy Gray at 626 Waveland Avenue and pay a month's rent and get some women's clothes out of the apartment, and after doing this and learning on what charge the man Gray was wanted, they were to consider turning him over to the Police or to the Federal Government, and to find out how much bond would be required for his release. He further stated that they then proceeded to 626 Waveland Avenue, where they paid a month's rent, \$35.00, to the manager of the apartment house, which transaction took place between Lewis and the manager, and Lewis, who had a key to the apartment, told them that they could go on up to the same, where it was found that they were unable to enter the apartment as the key did not appear to fit. He then informed Lewis that he did not wish to

bother with the case and to let the people get their own clothes. They decided then to go back to the Criminal Court building.

Upon arriving at Polk and Paulina Streets again, they stopped at a tavern located on Polk Street near Paulina, where they obtained some beer, and met McNamara. He further stated that Lewis had some conversation with the bartender and that McNamara overheard the conversation, and being a friend of Lewis', volunteered to accompany them to the apartment and stated that "he would get in all right." He advised they then returned, in his Lincoln Sedan, to 626 Waveland Avenue, at which time he stopped the car and Lewis and McNamara went up to the apartment, which resulted in their detention. Mr. McDonnell was closely questioned during the remainder of that night and the following day until approximately 6:00 P.M., but he steadfastly insisted that he knew nothing more concerning the transaction and that Sidney Lewis previously made all of the arrangements.

McDonnell advised that he is a graduate of Northwestern University of Law and has been practicing in Chicago since 1911; that his reputation in Chicago as an attorney has been good and that he would be willing to assist the Government in any way possible rather than for any reflection to be cast upon his legal reputation.

Sidney Lewis was interviewed by Special Agent R. D. Brown and advised that he is 31 years of age and a graduate of Webster School of Law; that he is married and resides at 3307 Warren, apartment 401; that for the last six years he has been employed by McDonnell and McDonnell, lawyers, 221 North LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois.

During the first period of questioning, Lewis insisted that he knew nothing more in this case than that some woman on the day before, May 1st, 1934, had called at his office and asked that he go up to 626 Waveland Avenue and pay a month's rent on the apartment of her brother, whose name was Gray, and to obtain from the apartment a valuable fur coat; that she told him that the place was being watched by Police and that she did not care to go around there personally. However, after several hours of questioning, Lewis advised that he is acquainted with the person, whose name and address he refused to give, who is connected with the criminal element in Chicago, and whom he contacts in the vicinity of Polk and Paulina Streets, and who called him some time during the morning of May 3rd, 1934, and informed him that a young woman would be down to see him about a new case and to take care of her. He stated that he waited around in his office until 5:00 P.M. that day and the woman failed to appear, but the next morning he returned to the office early and a young woman, who failed to state her name, came in and said that she was the sister of the Mr. Gray who had an apartment at 626 Waveland Avenue, and that she wanted him to go to the manager of the apartment house, pay a month's rent, and obtain a valuable fur coat and some dresses. He stated that at this time the young lady informed him that the Police were watching the place and her brother was wanted

in connection with some automobile case, either by the City Police or Federal Government, and further requested him to learn the nature of the charges against her brother, whose name was Roy Gray, and to ascertain the amount of bond necessary should he turn himself in. He further stated that this young lady gave him \$75.00, \$35.00 of which was to be paid for the rental of the apartment, and an additional \$25.00 to be paid when the coat and dresses were obtained. He stated he obtained a key to the apartment, not from the young lady but from the person who originally referred the case to him, whose name and address he refused to furnish. He claimed that to furnish the name and address of this person would mean that this person would fail to refer other cases to him and might mean that he would be "taken for a ride", and that he would rather go to jail than reveal this person's name.

He advised that he proceeded to a point in the vicinity of Polk and Paulina Streets where he made a contact with the unnamed person who referred the case to him, and obtained a key to the apartment, and that he then called Mr. McDonnell and requested him to meet him at that point in his automobile, and that they then proceeded to the apartment located at 626 Waveland Avenue, paid the rent, and went up to the apartment but were unable to enter due to the fact that the key did not appear to fit. He advised that he and McDonnell then decided to go to the Criminal Court building but enroute stopped at a tavern on Polk Street near Paulina, where they had some beer and where he had some conversation with the bartender, which was overheard by Matthew McNamara, who was then more or less under the influence of liquor, and who volunteered to accompany them to the apartment and said he would have no difficulty in getting in. He stated he then induced McDonnell to return to the apartment in an attempt to gain entrance, which they did and were apprehended.

Matthew McNamara was interviewed by Special Agent M. E. Glynn, and he advised that his residence is 1028 South Aberdeen Street, Chicago, Illinois; that he is 22 years of age and resides with his father and mother at the above mentioned address, and his father's name is John McNamara, and that he has no brothers or sisters, and his father is a contractor in the City of Chicago. He admitted that he is not employed and has never held a city job. He also admitted previous arrests. He refused to make any statement whatsoever in connection with his visit to the apartment at 626 Waveland Avenue and denied that he knows Roy Gray. He was exceedingly bitter and absolutely refused to make any comment concerning this case to anyone. He has the appearance and manner of the regular Chicago gangster.

McNamara's fingerprints were submitted to the Division on May 5th, 1934, and on May 9th, 1934, the following record was obtained from the Division:

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

On the record is the following notation:

[REDACTED]

Sidney Lewis, Simon D. McDonnell, Jr., and Matthew McNamara were released at 6:00 P.M. on May 5th, 1934. Before being released, Sidney Lewis promised to attempt to locate Roy Gray and convey the information to Special Agents of the Chicago Division office.

On several occasions prior to May 15th, 1934, Sidney Lewis and McDonnell were interviewed at their offices at 221 North LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois, and they both maintained that they were unable to secure any information concerning the whereabouts of Gray. A photograph of Mrs. Roy Gray was shown Sidney Lewis and he identified her as being the young lady who appeared in his office on the morning of May 4th, 1934, and requested him to obtain a fur coat and dresses from the apartment at 626 Waveland Avenue. Both Lewis and McDonnell were warned that adverse publicity might result in their failure to assist the Government in this matter. Special Agent R. D. Brown was requested by Lewis to call at his office on May 15th, 1934, at which time he believed he would have some information of some value.

On May 15th, 1934, Sidney Lewis informed Agent Brown that he had had a conversation with the person who originally referred the case to him, whose name and address he refused to furnish, and that this person had told him that the woman who he had sent to his office in connection with the matter at 626 Waveland Avenue, was the wife of Roy Gray, and that some months ago he had met some people in St. Paul, Minnesota, who assisted him when he got into some difficulty there, and that it was these people who communicated with him and had referred Mrs. Roy Gray to him. Mr. Lewis claimed to know nothing further concerning the matter but upon further questioning, he propounded this question to Agent, "Is there someone in St. Paul that they call 'Frisco Dutch?', and then stated, 'I think it was a man whom they called 'Frisco Dutch' who referred Mrs. Roy Gray to my informant.' He was either unable or unwilling to furnish any further information

relative to "Frisco Dutch."

Further contacts will be had with Sidney Lewis
in an attempt to obtain more information from him.

From the Illinois Bell Telephone Company it was learned that the following long distance and unlisted telephone numbers were called from Bittersweet 1408, located in the apartment of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Gray, 626 Waveland Avenue:

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Telephone Number</u> |
|-------------|-------------------------|
| 1/18/34 | Aurora 6451 |
| 3/3/34 | Cicero 194 |
| 3/4/34 | Euclid 1033 |
| 4/11/34 | Cicero 194 |

It was learned from the above mentioned telephone company that Cicero 194 is listed under the name of the Vrba Motor Co., 5100 West 25th Street, Cicero, Illinois.

The telephone number Aurora 6451, it was found, was discontinued on February 14, 1934, but was formerly listed under the name of Guy M. Walls, 359 Galena Avenue, Aurora, Illinois.

The telephone number Euclid 1033 was discontinued on April 3, 1934, and was formerly listed under the name of Arthur A. Hale, 1080 Pleasant Street, Oak Park, Illinois. Special Agent R. D. Brown was informed by an employee of the Illinois Bell Telephone Company that when Arthur A. Hale had his telephone discontinued, he requested that the notation be made on his record to the effect that he could be reached at Longbeach 8500. It was found that Longbeach 8500 is the Edgewater Beach Apartments, 5555 Sheridan Road, which address is an unusually fine apartment building.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent J. A. Murphy on May 5 and 7, 1934:

Several photographs were obtained at the apartment of R. Gray, alias R. Gray Evans, who is known as "Slim", and these photographs are being identified at this time as A to H, inclusive.

They were shown to Dr. Leo J. Mackey, a dentist, with offices adjoining Dr. Joseph P. Moran, 4861 West Irving Park Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois, and he identified photograph H as that of R. Gray Evans, who was introduced to him by Dr. Moran and who called at his, (Dr. Mackey's) office on April 17, 1934, for treatment. He gave his address as 541 Wellington Avenue and is described by Dr. Mackey as approximately 35 years of age, 5'10 or 11" in height, 140-150 pounds, dark hair, slim build and fair complexion. This individual is generally known as "Slim". Dr. Mackey was unable to identify any of the other pictures as persons he had seen.

William Miller, manager of the Graceland Garage, 3729 Broadway, Chicago, identified the photograph A as that of Mrs. R. Gray, "Slim's" wife; photograph F as Mrs. R. Gray; photograph H as Mrs. R. Gray's brother; photograph K as a Mr. Pratt or Mr. Childs, who he believes formerly lived with "Slim" and who called at his garage about one year ago and had some repairs performed on his automobile; and photograph N as R. Gray, who was also known to him as "Slim".

Fred Carey, assistant to Mr. Miller at the Graceland Garage, also identified the same photographs as Mr. Miller.

James Franklin, a negro porter at the Irving Hotel, 4845 West Irving Park Boulevard, where it will be recalled Dr. Moran formerly maintained a residence, identified the man on the right of photograph E as "Slim's old man". Franklin was unable to identify any of the other pictures with the exception of photograph H which he readily recognized as "Slim".

These photographs should also be exhibited to Sam Margolis, owner of the apartment at 539 Addison Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, and to taxi driver Ambrose Parowski, 3935 North Kilbourn Street, Chicago.

Mrs. E. A. Prints, manager of the apartment house located at 525 Cornelia Street, Chicago, was interviewed inasmuch as previous investigation had indicated a Mrs. Mabel Guymon was living there and that this person is believed to be a sister of Mrs. Gray. Mrs. Prints

stated that Mr. and Mrs. George Guymon and moved into Room 304 in this apartment house on April 15, 1934, having formerly lived in a small hotel which she believes is nearby. She cannot recall the name of this hotel but thinks she will remember it and will subsequently advise this or some other agent of the Chicago Office.

Mr. and Mrs. Guymon were recommended to her by a Mrs. Masoncup, who has been living in apartment 309 at this address for the past two months. Mrs. Masoncup lives in apartment 309 with her husband, daughter and son-in-law.

When the Guymons moved in they had only a few grips and trunks, apartment 304 being a furnished one. Mrs. Prints recalled that Mrs. Guymon told her that they had an automobile but that it has been in the shop for repairs. Mrs. Prints has not seen this car and knows very little about the Guymons, having seen Mr. Guymon only once and having been told by Mrs. Guymon that he is a Certified Public Accountant. Likewise she sees very little of Mrs. Guymon. When shown the various photographs Mrs. Prints identified photograph B as that of Mrs. Guymon, photograph C (woman on right) as Mrs. Guymon, photograph D as Mr. Guymon, and photograph E (picture on left) as Mr. Guymon. She did not recognize any of the other pictures.

Mrs. Prints should be contacted in the future for any further information she may be able to obtain concerning the Guymons as she has promised to observe them carefully and to obtain what information she can.

Special Agents J. T. McLaughlin and D. P. Sullivan, located at the Graceland Garage, 3728 Broadway, Chicago, Illinois, Buick Sedan Motor 2778426, factory number 2627153, registered in the name of Estelle Gray. It bears 1934 license 520157. The registration card for 1932 found in said automobile reflects Mrs. Gray's address to be 5848 Winthrop Street. The 1933 registration found on said auto reflects that her address is 541 Willington Street.

The 1932 registration reflects the same address. There was also found city of Chicago vehicle tag for 1932, 1933 and 1934 for said car. From the records in the garage, it was ascertained that the rental for the space is under the name of R. Gray, address at the time he entered the garage, (August 1, 1932), 3638 Pine Grove Avenue, and there is a notation of change of address to 626 Waveland Avenue.

It was ascertained from these records that he is also owner of a Ford V-8 coupe, Illinois license 605-583.

Special Agent Nichols ascertained from Mrs. Louise Hoeppe, manager of the apartment house at 626 Waveland Avenue, that R. Gray, gave the following references when leasing the apartment:

Nick Smith, Graceland 8211
Clare Gray
Doctor Moran, office Palisade 7180
Mr. Miller, Garage, Buckingham 1779,
business 273 Monroe, Randolph 9176.

William Miller is manager and owner of the Graceland Garage and he advises that one Sam Miller (no relation) who resides at 539 Addison Street, telephone Bittersweet 0566, came to his garage upon the recommendation of R. Gray. He had in his possession Chevrolet Coach, Illinois license 796944; that he recently traded this car for a Ford V-8 Coach. He describes Mr. Sam Miller as being a man about 40 or 42 years old; 5 ft. 4 or 5 inches; stocky build; brown hair; rough face; pot-belly; Jewish. He states that R. Gray is a man about 5 ft. 5 or 6 inches, very thin; about 120 pounds, neat dresser, pasty complexion; bookie by occupation. He also advised that Sam Miller is in the same line of business.

In the Chicago Office file will be found the various registration cards and other data found in the car belonging to Estelle Gray.

Agent Sullivan ascertained from Mr. Miller at the garage that Mrs. Sam Miller called and requested that an attendant come for her auto at 11:10 P.M. He immediately notified Special Agent McIntire, who was in charge of a detail at the residence of R. Gray at 526 Waveland Avenue, that Mrs. Miller had made this call. Agent Sullivan returned to the garage and the attendant stated that after informing him he went to Sam Miller's address and found no car there, and that there was no one at home. The Miller car was not in the garage all night.

As per instructions, a Buick Coach, motor number 2778426, bearing 1934 Illinois license number 52017, was kept under surveillance by Agents McLaughlin and D. P. Sullivan at the Graceland Garage, 3927 Broadway, Chicago, Illinois.

The above automobile is the property of R. Gray, and upon advice of Special Agent R. D. Brown, the above Buick Coach, at 4:15 P.M., May 5, 1934, was taken from the Graceland Garage and delivered to the Van Buren Street Garage.

The receipt for the delivery of the above car was obtained and will be found in the files of the Chicago office.

Information secured from the Manager at the Graceland Garage, 3729 Broadway, Chicago, Illinois; telephone Buckingham 1679, indicates that one SAM MILLER, now living at 539 Addison Street, is a friend and close associate of "Slim", whose correct name is believed to be ROY GRAY.

On May 3, 1934, Special Agents K. R. McIntire, H. E. Hollis, J. A. Murphy and R. C. Suran visited 539 Addison Street, with the expectation of inspecting the contents of the apartment for information leading to the location of "Slim". It was ascertained through Samuel Morgolis, also living at 539 Addison Street and who is manager and owner of the building; that Sam Miller lives on the second floor south and his apartment would be the door on the left-hand side, going up; that Sam Miller moved into said apartment about one year ago this coming June; that the apartment is not furnished and all furnishings in said apartment are owned by Sam Miller.

It was ascertained the apartment was locked and that some several months ago, Sam Miller placed an additional lock on the door so that no one could enter. Miller is married, but his wife was not home at the time of this call. Morgolis advised she has been gone from home for something over a week. Morgolis was unable to inform as to the occupation of Sam Miller. He stated that practically the only visitors the Millers have are the two brothers of Miller's wife, their identity and names being unknown. Morgolis stated that Sam Miller went to school with the brother-in-law of Morgolis, one Doctor B. Sayre, who has offices in the Monroe Building in Chicago. He stated further that Doctor Sayre does not recall Sam Miller.

Morgolis stated that Sam Miller cannot possibly be over thirty-three years of age and is approximately 5 feet 7 inches tall, weighing perhaps 160 pounds. No further description could be secured.

It appears that Sam Miller is not identical with the "Izzy" sought in this case but in view of the fact he is a close associate of "Slim", alias Roy Gray, the latter having recommended the Graceland Garage to Miller, it is considered desirable and advisable to follow this matter closely, believing that Roy Gray, alias "Slim" can be located through Miller.

Accordingly, Special Agents R. C. Suran and J. A. Murphy were left at the Miller apartment until about 11:00 P.M. on the night of May 3, 1934, but Sam Miller did not put in his appearance. It was ascertained by Agents Suran and Murphy that Sam Miller is often gone from his home for several days at a time. This matter is being followed closely in the hope of locating Sam Miller.

Morgolis also informed that Mr. and Mrs. Sam Miller have three small Boston bull dogs. Miller's telephone number is Bittersweet 0566.

Sam Miller formerly owned a Chevrolet Sedan, bearing 1934 Illinois license tags No. 706-944. He recently traded this car for a new Ford V-8 Coach; further identification not known.

The Buick Sedan at the Graceland Garage has been disabled and the keys to same have been delivered to Special Agent J. T. McLaughlin by the management of this garage. Two agents are being kept at the garage, twenty-four hours daily, in the hope of apprehending any person returning for this car. The car is the property of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Gray.

It was ascertained that the telephone of Sam Miller, 539 Addison Street, a close contact and friend of Subject Gibson alias Slim alias Gray alias Evans, is Bittersweet 0566.

Information obtained from the Illinois Bell Telephone Company by Special Agent R. D. Brown shows that from this number the following long distance telephone calls were made:

5/16/34 call to Strasburg, Mo. - No. 12-L-2
5/2/34 telephone message to Western Union Telegraph Co., Chicago, Illinois, signed "Marie"
5/5/34 long distance call to Strasburg, Mo. - No. 12-L-2

The Kansas City Division office was requested by letter to ascertain all information relative to the persons who are subscribers to Strasburg, Mo. No. 12-L-2, and their connection with Sam Miller.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent J. H. Rice on May 15, 1934.

Mrs. Emily Thieroff, Manager of the apartments at 3638 Pine Grove Avenue, advised that she has been manager of that apartment house since December 1, 1933. She advised that Nick Smith was the former manager of same and now could be located at 142 N. Humphrey Avenue, Oak Park, Illinois, telephone Village 5692-R. She stated that Clara Gray and Roy Gray were unknown to her.

Mr. O. P. Curran, Jr., real estate operator, 4521 Broadway, stated that their real estate company took over the management of the apartment house at the above address last November; that their records relative to this apartment house are complete from November and that same reflect that R. Gray lived at 3638 Pine Grove Avenue for the first two weeks in November, 1933. For further information relative to this angle it is reported that Clara Gray and Roy Gray lived at 3638 Pine Grove Avenue on 6/7/33 and that they are supposed to know former manager, Nick Smith. It is possible that Nick Smith might have some information concerning Clara Gray and Roy Gray, and if interviewed relative to his knowledge of the activities of the Grays, same might be done under the pretext that the Grays have asked for credit, paying particular attention to any information relative to any business the Grays might have been interested in and any addresses for the Grays.

It was reported that Clara Gray had a sister, Mrs. George Guymon, now residing at 511 Melrose Avenue. Investigation at 511 Melrose Avenue disclosed that Mrs. George Guymon had moved from that address to the Sheldrake Hotel, 4518 North Clarendon Avenue. Inquiries made at this address disclosed that the Guymons have moved to 525 Cornelia Avenue.

Investigation at 525 Cornelia Avenue disclosed that same is an apartment building and that it was observed the name of George D. Guymon appears on the mail box for apartment 304. Also underneath this name, which appears to be cut from a personal card, appeared, "Certified Public". Inspection of the surrounding neighborhood failed to disclose Ford Coupe bearing above mentioned Illinois license plates. No inquiry of the resident manager was made at this address.

Special Agent (A) Small secured the following information for Agent Rice: That George D. Guymon is a CPA of Illinois, certificate No. 981, issued in 1932, by the State of Illinois; that he is not a member of the American Society of Certified Public Accountants, nor a

Member of the American Institute of Accountants, and that an Illinois Certified Public Accountant's certificate has been issued to George D. Guymon up to the present date. This information was secured by Agent Small through Duncan Rice, who is a Certified Public Accountant, and has an office in the Bankers Building. Mr. Rice was unable to secure a business address for George D. Guymon.

May 10, 1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE FILE:

Re: BREKID CASE

Upon checking with the telephone company it was learned that the telephone Cicero 194 was called from the apartment of Slim Gray, 626 Waveland Avenue, on two different occasions, being on 3/3/34 and 4/11/34.

Telephone Cicero 194 was checked by this Agent and found to be the phone of the Vrba Motor Company, Ford dealers, 5100 W. 25th Street, Cicero, Illinois.

Special Agent Chaffetz on this date, interviewed Mr. A.J. Newquist, Manager, Vrba Motor Company, 5100 W. 25th Street, Cicero, who advised, after identifying the photograph of Roy (Slim) Gray, that Gray's wife, Clara Gray, had purchased three different automobiles from his firm. He stated the first Ford car purchased by her was on 5/27/31, when the car was purchased under the name of Clara Gray, 7840 Kingston Avenue; that she traded this car on 6/7/33, for another Ford and gave her address as 3638 Pine Grove Avenue, and on 4/19/34, she traded this second car on a third Ford, a Black V-8 coupe, at which time she paid \$228.00 in addition to the old Ford, and gave her address as 5248 Winthrop Avenue.

He further stated to Agent Chaffetz that Clara Gray called on him on Tuesday, May 8, 1934, and asked that the bill of sale for the new Ford V-8 be changed to the name of Irene Rogers, supposedly an aunt, 4679 Lake Park Avenue; that Clara Gray stated that she was doing this as she expected some legal difficulty. He further informed that Clara Gray's husband, Robert Gray, was in the garage to see him on Friday, April 6, 1934, at which time he had the new V-8 serviced and greased. However, he stated to Agent Chaffetz that all business relations were

with Clara Gray. He positively identified the photograph of Clara Gray's husband as being suspect R. Gray. He informed the license obtained for Clara Gray for the new V-8 is Illinois (1934) #605-683; that he believes Clara Gray's second Ford was financed through the National Bond and Investment Co., 160 N. LaSalle Street.

Mr. Newquist appeared very cooperative and volunteered to telephone the Chicago office should Mr. or Mrs. Gray appear for service on the new car; that Mr. Gray owes him \$5.00 for service on the car on 4/4/34 and he believes they will return. He recommended that Agents contact only himself or his secretary Miss Johnson.

Descriptions of Mr. and Mrs. Gray as furnished by Mr.

Newquist:

| | |
|--|-------------------|
| Name | CLARA GRAY |
| Height | 5' 1" |
| Weight | 120 lbs. |
| Hair | Reddish or auburn |
| Build | Medium |
| Eyes | Brown |
| Dresses very fashionably; has good taste in clothes. | |

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| Name | R. GRAY |
| Height | 5' 10" |
| Weight | 150 lbs. |
| Build | Very slender |
| Complexion | Very pale |
| Wears grey suit | |
| Very quiet | |
| Last seen wearing smoked glasses | |
| Protruding lips - sunken cheeks. | |

Special Agents Brown and McIntire on May 10, 1934, called at the office of the National Bond and Investment Company, 160 North LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois, and ascertained that this company had an account with Clara Gray, opened on June 9, 1933, which contains the following information:

That she purchased through the Vrba Motor Company, 5100 West 25th Street, Cicero, Illinois, on or about 6/9/33, a new Ford V-8 coupe, motor No. 40-315980, and financed the balance of the purchase price after turning in a used Ford car, \$342.33; that she paid the sum of \$36.47 toward this account on 6/27/33 and paid the account in full on 7/8/33.

Clara Gray on her application for credit stated her husband's name was Roy Gray but failed to state his address or occupation except that he managed a traveling carnival. She stated that her occupation was that of making and selling ladies' hats and operated a shop in her home which she gave as being located at 3638 Pine Grove Avenue.

Clara Gray gave the name of her landlord as being Nick Smith, 3638 Pine Grove Avenue. She gave as references a sister, Mrs. George Gymon, 511 Melrose Avenue, a Mrs. Bradley, 511 Melrose Avenue, a Mr. Miller, 3729 Broadway (Graceland Garage) and a Mr. E. Reynolds, North Shore Buick Company, 1030 Davis Street, Evanston, Illinois.

The file of the National Bond and Investment Company failed to reveal any further information concerning Mrs. Clara Gray.

Chicago, Illinois
May 21, 1934

MEMORANDUM FOR FILE:

Re: Bremer Case.

Reference is made to file R, serial #158, in the above entitled case, which sets forth a list of telephone numbers found in a notebook in the apartment occupied by Roy Gray at 626 Waveland Avenue. Included in that list of numbers were the following, which were found to be unpublished, namely, Sunnyside 3414, Lakeview 10534, and Newcastle 5027. The above unpublished numbers were checked through the Illinois Bell Telephone Company and it was ascertained that Sunnyside 3414 is listed in the name of Patrick J. Looby, residing at 4616 North Hazel Avenue, Apartment 114. The Telephone Company's records also show that on March 12, 1934, a long distance call was made from this number to Mrs. Louis Elmendorf, Paducah, Kentucky, telephone number 3223, and further that on March 14, 1934, a long distance telephone call was made from this number to Paducah, Kentucky, #1957J, no name appearing for this latter call.

Mrs. Monsen, manager of an apartment building at 4616 North Hazel Avenue, was discreetly interviewed with reference to Patrick J. Looby. Mrs. Monsen stated that Mr. and Mrs. Looby had resided at that address for approximately four years; that Looby was not steadily employed but did occasionally engage in some sales work and she was under the impression that he might have formerly been engaged in bootlegging. Mrs. Monsen stated that Looby was interested in politics and had once been an unsuccessful candidate for alderman. Mrs. Monsen stated that Looby's personal habits were good and that neither he nor his wife received a great deal of company and did not go out a great deal. Mrs. Monsen stated that Mrs. Looby had been steadily employed in a beauty shop known as Ruth's Beauty Shop at 929 Wilson Avenue for the past four years. Mrs. Monsen described Looby as being about 40 years of age, height 5'10", medium dark complexion, dark hair, partially grey.

Mr. and Mrs. Looby were interviewed on the morning of May 22, 1934, with reference to their acquaintance with Gray or with his wife, Clara. Both denied that they knew anyone by the name of Gray or Evans, and on being shown photographs of Gray and his wife, denied that they were acquainted with them. They stated that they had never known anyone who lived at 626 Waveland Avenue and stated that they were

unable to account for the fact that their telephone number had been called from Gray's apartment. They were shown photographs of Gray and his wife, Dr. Moran, Karpis, Barker, Davis and Campbell, but stated that they did not recognize any of them as being persons known to them or with whom they had any contacts. Looby did state that the photograph of Gray resembled someone he has seen but denied that he had any personal acquaintance with him. Mrs. Looby stated that she did not know anyone by the name of Clara Gray or Clara Evans and did not know of any beauty shop operated by anyone bearing that name.

Relative to the telephone calls to Paducah, Kentucky, Mr. and Mrs. Looby stated that the occupants of the adjoining apartment, named Thomson, had an uncle residing in Paducah, Kentucky, who has been quite ill and that the Thomsons had used the Looby telephone to make one or two calls to Paducah, Kentucky. Looby further stated that a friend of his named "Red" Heitz was a frequent caller at his apartment and received quite a few calls from his friend over his, Looby's, telephone, and that possibly Heitz might have some information and that he would have Heitz telephone this agent at the Chicago Division Office.

The records of the Illinois Bell Telephone Company show that Lakeview 10534 was listed in the name of Harriet M. Quadbach, residing at 1614 Berteau Avenue, Apt. 2. The telephone records further show that this number was called on January 26, 1934, by Harriet Owen from Northbrook, Illinois, telephone number 218, and that on February 18, 1934, a call was made from this number to Northbrook, Illinois, telephone number 218, and that on March 28, 1934, telephone call was made from this number to Northbrook, Illinois, telephone number 85. A check of these numbers was made and it was found that Northbrook 218 is listed in the name of the Holy Ghost Academy, Techny, Illinois, and that Northbrook 85 is listed in the name of the Holy Ghost Institute at Techny, Illinois, these two institutions apparently having some connection with each other.

Agent M. O. Scott has conducted an investigation with reference to Harriet M. Quadbach at 1614 Berteau Avenue.

The records of the Illinois Bell Telephone Company show that Newcastle 5027 is listed in the name of Mrs. Betty Wilson, 6631 Ottawa Avenue, and that this address is a residence. The telephone records also show the following calls were made from this telephone number:

Park Ridge 88 on February 5, 24; March 26, 1934. This number was checked and found to be listed in the name of the Northwest Oil Company, Inc., 207 Grace Street, Park Ridge, Illinois.

University 2217 was called on February 15, 23; March 5 and 27, 1934. This number is listed in the name of Fred Wahl, 829 Case Street, Evanston, Illinois.

Park Ridge 1024-P was called on February 28, 1934.

The Park Ridge telephone operator stated there was no telephone number Park Ridge 1024-P but that Park Ridge 1024-J was listed in the name of W. A. Bracken, 927 S. Washington Avenue, Park Ridge, Illinois.

Park Ridge 958-B was called on March 11. This telephone is listed in the name of Benjamin F. Wupper, 908 Courtland Avenue, Park Ridge, Illinois.

Park Ridge 28 was called on March 8, 1934. This number is listed in the name of the Citizens State Bank, 14 South Northwest Highway, Park Ridge, Illinois.

University 7989 was called on March 12, 1934, which number is an unpublished number and a letter has been sent to the Telephone Company requesting that they advise as to the party in whose name this number is listed.

Greenleaf 9013 was called on April 20 and 28, 1934. This number was listed in the name of the Sigma Nu Fraternity, Northwestern University, Evanston campus, Evanston, Illinois.

The following investigation was conducted with reference to Mrs. Betty Wilson residing at 6631 Ottawa, Edison Park, Illinois. 6631 Ottawa Avenue is the address of a yellow brick bungalow of excellent appearance; which is situated on a street occupied exclusively by small homes.

Mr. C. H. Wiechman, mail carrier attached to the Norwood Park Branch Post Office, and who delivers mail at 6631 Ottawa Avenue, was interviewed. Wiechman, however, could furnish little information. He stated that he recalled delivering mail to a Frank and a Julia Wilson and that they received on an average of three or four letters a week. However, he had no recollection as to where these letters came from. He could not recall delivering any mail to a Betty Wilson. Wiechman stated he seldom saw anyone about the place; that the occupants appeared to be out most of the time and he could not recall that he had ever seen either Frank or Julia Wilson personally.

At the Northwest Oil Company, 207 Grace Street, Park Ridge, Illinois, Mr. Paul Rush stated that Frank Wilson had bought fuel oil from them for about four years; that he understood that Wilson was a business agent for some union but did not know with which union he was connected. Rush stated that Wilson always paid in cash and that he had seen either a Cadillac or LaSalle car parked in front

of the residence. He stated that Frank Wilson was about 40 years of age, about 5'9" in height, medium build, dark complexion, and so far as he knew he was a reputable citizen and he thought that they owned the home at 6631 Ottawa.

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[REDACTED] stated that both Mr. and Mrs. Wilson were very reticent about their personal affairs and consequently he knew little or nothing about them. [REDACTED] stated he had one day asked Mrs. Wilson what Wilson's business was and Mrs. Wilson replied that he was a Business Agent for a union but evaded the question of what particular union he was connected with. [REDACTED] stated that Wilson appeared to have a steady income and that he owned the home at 6631 Ottawa and believes Wilson recently paid off the mortgage on it. [REDACTED] stated that a woman friend of Mrs. Wilson appeared to have some business connection with Mrs. Wilson. [REDACTED] was unable to recall the name of this woman, but stated he believed he could get this information from [REDACTED] when it was secured he would telephone the information to the Chicago Division Office. [REDACTED] further stated that about a year ago the Chief of Police at Evanston, Illinois, had telephoned him one night and stated that he had Wilson and his wife under arrest and inquired if [REDACTED] knew that they had a criminal record in other cities. [REDACTED] stated that evidently no prosecution had ensued as he had seen Wilson a couple of days later. [REDACTED] was shown photographs of Moran, Karpis, Barker, Campbell and Davis.

A check was made at the Bureau of Identification of the
Evanston Police Department, where the following data were obtained:

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Their records give the following data:

The Evanston records give the following description:-

Her description is as follows:



At 829 Case Street, Evanston, Illinois, it was found that this number is the address of a large apartment building and inquiry of the janitor disclosed that this apartment building is owned by Mr. Fred Wahl, whose telephone number was called from the number listed in the name of Betty Wilson. It was deemed inadvisable, under the circumstances, to interview Mr. Wahl directly.

W. C. JAMISON,
Special Agent

Chicago, Illinois,
June 2, 1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE FILE:

Re: Bremer Case

Agents McLaughlin and Jamison conducted the following investigation with reference to telephone numbers found in the apartment of Roy Gray, Waveland Avenue:

- (1) Margaret Lichtenstein, 3855 W. Fullerton - At this address it was learned that Miss Lichtenstein was employed by the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company at Fullerton and Cicero Avenues. She was interviewed at that place, but denied that she knew Roy Gray, or his wife, and further denied that she had ever received any telephone calls from them. She stated that she knew no one who resided at 626 Waveland Avenue, and was unable to identify photographs of Mrs. Gray and others in this case. She stated that she had two brothers, one married, the other single, but that they did not live at her home, and she was unable to account for the fact that Gray had her telephone number in his possession.
- (2) Pearl Watts, Beauty Shop, 3555 Broadway - Agents were advised that Pearl Watts was out of town and would not return until Monday, May 28.
- (3) Wilson Hazel Apartments, 4552 Hazel Avenue, Mr. Frank Walker, manager of this hotel, above, stated that he knew no one by the name of Gray or Evans, and that so far as he recalls no one by either of those names had registered at his hotel. The registry lists were checked, but no names similar to those appearing in this investigation were found. Mr. Walker was unable to identify photographs of Gray, Mrs. Gray, or other suspects in this case.
- (4) Mary E. Blue, 4701 Sheridan Road. Miss Blue operates a dress-making shop and after checking her books, found that the only Evans she had done work for was a Mrs. Evans living at 1673 Pratt Boulevard, for whom she had done work in January, 1934. Miss Blue stated, however, that the photograph of Mrs. Roy Gray Evans did not resemble that of her customer. Miss Blue stated that she got a great deal of trade from residents of her neighborhood, a great

percentage of which were kept women, and that she had a wide acquaintance with such persons. She stated that the "hottest" spot in the neighborhood was the Silver Slipper, a restaurant located at Leland Avenue near Kenmore Avenue. Miss Blue was unable to identify any photographs of the suspects in this case and stated if she got any information regarding the whereabouts of Gray, she would notify this office.

- (5) Homer Day, 62 W. 74th Street. At this address, which is a two-family flat, the tenants contacted reported that Homer Day had moved sometime ago, and that they had no idea where he might now be found; they stated that the owner of this flat, Mr. Shactel, who lived on the second floor, might be able to furnish Day's address. Agents called several times at the Shactel flat, but he was not found at home.

- (6) I. G. Wood, 2009 Howe Street. This is an apartment cut up into a rooming house. Miss I. G. Wood occupied the third floor apartment. Living with her are a Carol Rasmussen, Miss Stewart, (Miss Rasmussen's roommate), Anthony Pantschink, and Otto Hower. Miss Rasmussen stated that Miss I. G. Wood worked for the Norris Grain Company, and that she, Miss Rasmussen, was thoroughly familiar with Miss Wood's business and personal friends. She stated that so far as she knew, Miss Wood was not acquainted with either Mr. and Mrs. Gray.

Miss Rasmussen was shown photographs of Mr. and Mrs. Gray and other suspects in this case, but was unable to identify them as anyone who had visited Miss Wood. Miss Stewart was also questioned, but had no information.

Anthony Pantschink stated that he is a musician and plays three nights a week at a night club at 1923 N. Halsted Street. He stated that the photographs of the two Barker brothers resembled persons he had seen about the night club, but he was unable to make a positive identification.

The other occupant of this place, Otto Hower, was stated to be a motor winder.

No further information was obtained by questioning these people, and they did not appear to be the type of persons with whom Gray was apt to have contact.

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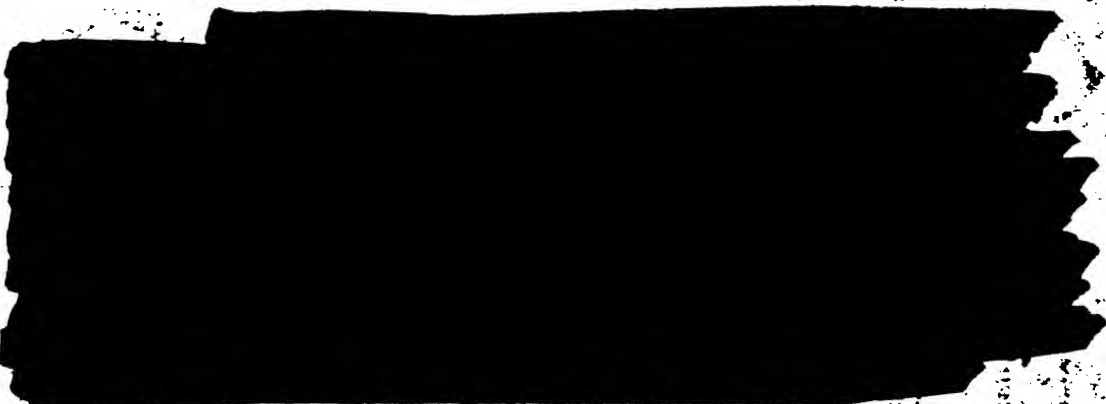
W. C. JAMISON,
Special Agent.

Chicago, Ill.
May 15, 1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE FILE:

In re: BREMER CASE

Mr. L. J. Oram, Manager, Edgewater Beach Apartments, stated that Arthur A. Hale had resided at the Edgewater Beach Hotel for a number of years and that he had an excellent reputation.



Mr. Arthur A. Hale was interviewed by Agent Rice, who exhibited photographs of Mr. and Mrs. Gray. Mr. Hale stated that Clara Gray and Roy Gray were unknown to him or his wife. Mr. Hale was advised that Gray's telephone records reflect that a party from telephone assigned to Gray on 3/4/34 called Euclid 1033. Mr. Hale stated that this telephone was assigned to him while he resided at 1020 Pleasant Street, Oak Park, having resided at that address from January to April 1st, 1934, at which time he returned to the Edgewater Beach Apartments. Mr. Hale advised that possibly his butler, Harry Lee, colored, might have received this telephone call. He stated that Lee had been in his employ for eight years and that he had always found him to be honest and trustworthy.

Harry Lee was located at Mr. Hale's apartment at the Edgewater Beach Apartment hotel, by this Agent, but he was unable to recognize the photographs of the Grays and stated that he knew of no white people by the name of Gray. He further stated that he had never

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received personal calls over Mr. Hale's telephone. Through further questioning of Lee it was ascertained that a Dr. Strawbridge occupied the apartment just prior to the time the apartment was rented by Mr. Hale at 1020 Pleasant Avenue, Oak Park; that Dr. Strawbridge was a middle aged doctor and had offices in the Medical Arts Building in Oak Park, this building being located at Euclid and Lake Streets. Lee was of the opinion that possibly the telephone number, Euclid 1033, which was assigned in January, 1934, to Mr. Hale, had previously been assigned to Dr. Strawbridge, who resided at that address in Oak Park, namely, 1020 Pleasant Street. Lee stated that it is possible that the call might have been made to telephone number Euclid 1033, while Mr. Hale resided at that address, making inquiry for Dr. Strawbridge, but that he could not recall any such instance.

It is believed that a further check should be made of Dr. Strawbridge as the Grays might have some contact with this party.

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Reference is made to memorandum of Special Agent E. R. McIntire disclosing the information secured as a result of an examination of the apartment of Roy Gray on May 2, 1934.

Agent N. O. Scott interviewed Miss M. C. Smith and Miss Elsie Thorsander, who are clerks at the Trojan Laundry Company, located at 2834 Broadway. Miss Thorsander, upon being shown pictures of Roy Gray, with aliases, stated that she is positive that Gray has been in the laundry and had some work done in the last four months. Miss Thorsander, although very undecided as to any dates, stated that it appears to her about two months ago that Gray came in the laundry and had a small bundle of shirts washed and returned the next day and received same. Agent Scott checked all the records of the laundry very carefully with Miss Thorsander and Miss Smith and they were unable to identify any of the names as being connected with Gray.

Miss Smith was rather vague in her memory of Gray, stating that she did not wait on the customers as often as Miss Thorsander; however, that she had a slight recollection of seeing Gray in the laundry about two months ago.

Pictures of the suspects were shown to Misses Thorsander and Smith, and they were unable to identify as ever having seen any of them.

Agent interviewed M. C. Smucker, druggist of the Waveland Drug Company, located at 3665 Broadway. Smucker was unable to identify any pictures of the suspects in this case and could not give any pertinent information whatsoever.

Agent called at the residence of Mrs. B. Townsend, located at 4408 Malden Street. Mrs. Townsend's mother stated that Mrs. Townsend was working and would not return until evening. However, she may be interviewed at that address any time in the evening. Mrs. Townsend's mother appeared very reluctant to Agent and would not give the address of the place where her daughter was working, or her own name. Mrs. Townsend's mother was unable to identify any of the pictures shown her of the suspects in this case and stated that she had never heard of the name Gray with alias.

Agent interviewed Mrs. Rex Tucker, located at 4806 West Walton Street. Mrs. Tucker is the wife of Rex Tucker, who is the proprietor of the Rex Carpet Cleaning Company. Mrs. Tucker stated that her husband was at work but could be interviewed at any time in the evening should it be desired; however, that she could not identify any of the pictures shown her of the suspects in this case, and Agent checked over her records, as she is her husband's bookkeeper, and there was no information pertaining to Gray or any of the other suspects in this case.

Agent Scott interviewed Mrs. M. E. Baldwin, manager of the Patrician Apartments, located at 405 Fullerton Place. Mrs. Baldwin was unable to identify any of the pictures of suspects shown her; however, she stated that she has a vague recollection of seeing Subject Roy Gray with alias. Mrs. Baldwin could not furnish Agent with any specific date but stated that she thought she had seen this person sometime in the last year.

Agent Scott interviewed Miss Margaret Maughan, manager of the Stone Beauty Parlor, located at 6725 Stony Island Avenue. Miss Maughan was unable to identify any of the pictures shown her of the suspects in this case and could not give any information whatsoever.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent M. F. Glynn.

Among the various articles found at the home of Roy Gray, 626 Waveland Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, was a certificate indicating that Mrs. Clara Gray had rented safety deposit box #2670 on January 7, 1934, from the Michigan Boulevard Safe Deposit Company, Michigan Boulevard at Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois.

Mr. J. P. Witts, Vice-President and Manager of the Michigan Boulevard Safe Deposit Company, Michigan Boulevard and Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois, was interviewed. Mr. Witts produced records which indicated that on January 7, 1932, Mrs. Clara Gray rented safety deposit box #2670 from the above named company; that on January 18, 1932, she introduced her sister, Mrs. Mabel Guymon to Mr. Witts, above mentioned, stating that she desired that the box, above described, be accessible to both she and her sister, Mrs. Guymon. Accordingly, both Mrs. Gray and Mrs. Guymon signed the application in their handwriting and on the said application the following information appeared: Mrs. Clara Gray, 511 Melrose Street, Chicago, Illinois, telephone number, Lakeview 10225. It also appeared that Mrs. Gray was married to one Roy Gray, who could be located care of The Mighty Davis Shows, Davenport, Iowa; that she is 5'2" tall, weighs 115 pounds, has brown eyes and red hair, and her mother's maiden name was Eubanks.

With reference to Mrs. Mabel Guymon, the above described application indicated that Mrs. Guymon was married to one George D. Guymon, address, 511 Melrose Street, Chicago, Illinois; that Mr. Guymon could be located care of the Interstate Company, 71 E. Lake Street, Chicago, Illinois. The following description of Mrs. Guymon appeared on the application:

Height: 5'3"
Weight: 120 lbs.
Hair: Brown
Eyes: Brown
Mother's maiden name - Eubanks.

The records of the Michigan Boulevard Safe Deposit Company were checked further and same reveal that neither Mrs. Gray nor her sister, Mrs. Guymon, appeared at the office of the said safe deposit company during the months of January, March, April, or May, 1934. The records further indicated that Mrs. Gray was given access to her safety deposit box #2670 on February 9 and 17, 1934.

It was learned from Mr. Witts, above mentioned, that the safety deposit box in question is 32 inches long, 5'4" wide, and 5'4" deep.

Mr. Witts declined to give agent access to the safety deposit box in question, due to the fact that said box is rented both under the names of Clara Gray and Mabel Guymon. Mr. Witts was very anxious to cooperate to the fullest extent with the Chicago Office and in furtherance of this plugged the lock on the safety deposit box so that in the event Mrs. Gray, or Mrs. Guymon should call for access to said box, he will immediately notify this office before permitting her access to the box.

The Michigan Boulevard Safe Deposit Company is in the sole business of renting safety deposit boxes and as a result are somewhat reluctant to allow anyone access to any of the rented boxes. Mr. Witts stated that in the event a court order was obtained it would be necessary to drill the lock on Mrs. Gray's safety deposit box.

Further investigation by Agent Glynn revealed that Mr. and Mrs. George Guymon moved from 511 Melrose Street to 4518 Clarendon Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, and moved from there to 525 Cornelia Avenue, telephone number, Bittersweet 4771, where they are now said to be residing.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent M. F. Glynn on Monday, May 7, 1934, at 5248 Winthrop Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, the address given by one Estelle Gray, believed to be one and the same party as Clara Gray. Mrs. H. Kuhn was interviewed at this address. She stated about two or three months ago a Mr. Gray and his wife resided at this address and remained about three or four weeks. She described Mr. Gray as being rather tall and slender, and she believed he had medium brown hair. She stated she was not acquainted with him and did not know his first name. She further stated he posed as an insurance man. Mrs. Kuhn further stated that Mrs. Gray was a blond, was about 5'3" in height, and was rather slender. Mrs. Kuhn stated she was not personally acquainted with Mrs. Gray and as a result did not know what her first name was. Mrs. Kuhn stated further that Mr. Gray apparently went to work every day and Mrs. Gray remained at home; that they rented a two room furnished apartment from her and that the reason she did not become acquainted with them was because they always paid her in advance. Mrs. Kuhn stated further the Grays had a large automobile, the make or model she did not know. She stated, however, that she recalled they received their license plates for the car while at this address. Mrs. Kuhn was unable to give any information of value whatsoever.

Inquiry was made of Mrs. Heller, the manager, and Mr. Foss, the janitor, at 541 Wellington Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, to determine whether or not the Grays had resided at this address. Both of these individuals denied knowing the Grays.

The records of the John C. Bowers Company, real estate firm, 4642 Broadway, Chicago, Illinois, the owners and operators of the apartment located at 541 Wellington Avenue, were checked and same failed to reveal that the Grays resided at this address from 1928 to 1933.

Efforts were made to determine the names of the operators of the Grays Beauty Shop, 1100 Leland Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, without success. It was learned that Mr. Thomas Bell, 1102 Leland Avenue, was the real estate agent handling the building in which the beauty shop, in question, is located. However, it was found that he was absent from the city when agent called at the said real estate office.

Agent was requested to call at 1524 East Marquette Road, to determine if Rita Orlandini was living at this address. However, before this investigation was made agent was requested to discontinue same.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent W. C. Jamison on May 11, 1934.

Reference is made to a report and X-Ray examination made by a E. D. Braun, which were found in the personal effects of Roy Gray, the original of which is on file in the Chicago Division Office.

Mr. R. D. Braun in the X-Ray Department of the Martha Washington Hospital, 2318 Irving Park Boulevard, stated that his X-Ray record #1817, dated January 26, 1934, shows that on that date he had made an X-Ray chest examination for Roy Gray, 541 Wellington, who had been referred by Dr. Moran. Braun stated he did not know Gray personally and did not recall anything about him, but thought he had come in with Sergeant Freimuth of the Police Department, who had also been referred to him by Moran. Braun, however, retracted this statement later and said that Gray had not been in the company of Freimuth.

Braun stated his acquaintance with Dr. Moran was purely a professional one but stated that he considered Moran to be a very fine fellow. Braun further advised that Moran had referred a number of patients to him for X-Ray examinations, but that he had not heard from Moran since April 23, 1934, on which date Moran had sent to him Miss Ruth Kuhn of 5248 Winthrop Avenue for an ankle examination.

The following investigation was conducted on May 11, 1934,
by Special Agent W. C. Jamison.

Reference is made to medicine bottle found in the home of William Gray, 626 Waveland, bearing the label of the Borovik Drug Store, 3958 North Cicero Avenue, and filled by that store on December 1st, 1933, for Ben Evans, the prescription number being 55260, and issued by Dr. Moran. Mr. Walter Borovik, proprietor of this drug store, stated that he did not recall Ben Evans or the circumstances under which this prescription was filled. Borovik checked the prescription and found that it called for six ounces of elixir bromide and had been filled for 75%. Borovik stated the regular price for filling such a prescription was \$1.50, and that the cut price indicated the prescription had been personally brought to the drug store by either Dr. Moran or Jimmie Wilson to be filled. Borovik stated that Moran and Wilson were a couple of chiselers and that Moran now owed him \$13.00 for drugs which he had been unsuccessfully trying to collect, and that he had not seen Moran or Wilson for several weeks. Borovik also stated that Jimmie Wilson had been practicing medicine and that as he was not a licensed physician he had no legal right to do so.

There was located in the premises of Roy Gray by Agents of the Chicago Division office on May 2, 1934, a card of the Embassy Dine and Dance located on Port Washington Road near Dean Road, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Recently, while Special Agent J. T. McLaughlin was in Milwaukee on other business he visited the Embassy, which is located about five miles out of the city limits of Milwaukee in Milwaukee County, and under the pretext of looking for a brother, he exhibited the photograph of Roy Gray with aliases to the bartender, clerks and other individuals in the place, including the manager, who is a Polish boy known as Joe. None of these people could assist Agent McLaughlin in locating his alleged brother, each stating that the individual in question was entirely unknown to them.

It was noted while at this place that there were stacked on the cashier's counter numerous cards of a like nature, apparently used for advertising the Embassy, which is nothing more than a liquor joint.

In the apartment of Roy Gray, as is previously stated, a Kodak was found in which there was a film with four exposures. These films were developed by the Chicago Division Office and it was found that in one of the pictures there appeared a Cadillac Sedan with 1933 Illinois license tag 1236804.

With a view to establishing the ownership of this automobile, a letter was directed to the Automobile License Division, office of the Secretary of State, Springfield, Illinois, on May 31st, 1934, requesting information as to whether or not this car, bearing motor number 1001172, had been assigned license for 1934 in the State of Illinois. Special Agent J.P. McLaughlin had previously learned from the Chicago Police Department that this Cadillac Sedan bearing 1933 Illinois license 1236804 bears motor number 1001172, and that the licenses were issued to one Emma Varain, 509 South Wabash Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

Special Agent McLaughlin conducted an investigation at 509 South Wabash Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, where interviews were had with the elevator operators and in numerous offices located within the building, and no one appeared to know anyone by the name of "Varain". The mail man who delivers mail in that building was also interviewed and advised he did not know anyone by that name in the building, and that no mail at the present time is being delivered to anyone in the building by that name.

A letter was directed to the Detroit Division Office on May 31st, 1934, requesting that an investigation be conducted at the home office of the Cadillac Car Company, Detroit, Michigan, to determine to whom Cadillac Sedan motor number 1001172 was sold.

On June 14th, 1934, a letter was received from the Detroit Office advising that Mr. C. E. Ferrell, office manager of the Cadillac Motor Car Company, Detroit, had been interviewed and advised that this car is a 1930 model, series 370, 12 cylinder Town Sedan, black in color with an ivory stripe and was equipped with six wire wheels, two extra wheels being carried in the fender wells; that it had metal mirrors on each side of the car/on the braces holding the tires in the fender wells. It was learned that this car bore the following component part numbers:

Body - #365
Steering gear - #10-1223
Transmission - #10-1040
Chassis - #101241
Generator - #882
Front Axle - #10-1298
Rear Axle - #10-1344
Secret No. - #31152
Tool key - #XC-394
Ignition key - #XC-491
Radiator ornament - #1098123

The records of the Cadillac Motor Car Company, Detroit, Michigan, show that this car was shipped on October 31st, 1930, to Madison Smith Cadillac Company of Little Rock, Arkansas, and that it was sold on April 17th, 1931, to V. C. Miller, 921 Eastwood Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

A copy of the letter containing the above information from the Detroit Division Office was submitted by the Detroit Office to the Oklahoma City Office of the Division with the request that the officials of the Madison Smith Company, Little Rock, Arkansas, be interviewed for additional information.

It is highly probable that the V. C. Miller, who purchased this car, is Vernon C. Miller.

On May 20th, 1934, Special Agent T. E. Billings, while examining the "ticklers" of the various cases in the Chicago Division Office, was examining Chicago file 28-555A, which is a case entitled, "Russell Gibson, alias "Rusty" Gibson, Fugitive, I.O. #1213, National Motor Vehicle Theft Act".

Agent Billings had previously viewed photographs of Roy Gray, alias Roy Gray Evans, and immediately noticed a resemblance.

The Chicago Police Department fingerprints of Roy Gray with aliases were obtained and the same submitted to the Division for comparison with the fingerprints of Russell Gibson. The Division has advised that Russell Gibson with aliases, and Roy Gray with aliases, are one and the same person.

The office of origin in the case entitled, "Russell Gibson with aliases, Fugitive, I.O. 1213, is Oklahoma City, and Oklahoma City has been advised by letter on May 22nd, 1934, that Gibson and Gray are one and the same person.

The Kansas City Division Office was also advised of this identification and requested to give all leads appropriate attention in their territory.

In the apartment of Gibson, alias Gray, 626 Waveland Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, was found a large photograph taken in 1932 by the Witzel Studios, Los Angeles, California, bearing number 97451. The Los Angeles Division Office was requested by letter dated May 21st, 1934, to attempt to determine the identity of the person in this photograph and were furnished complete information concerning the circumstances under which this photograph was obtained. With the photograph was that of an elderly lady.

On May 15, 1934, Sergeant Thomas Alcock, telephone Wabash 5151, an officer of the Chicago Police Department, informed Special Agent W. G. Jamison, that he understood the Government was looking for a man known as "SLIM" and a man known as "IZZY". Alcock advised Jamison he also is looking for "SLIM", otherwise known as ROY GRAY, on jewelry robberies in Chicago.

Alcock stated he believed "IZZY" to be identical with one EDWARD "ITCHKE" ROSENBERG, a brother of the late Moe Rosenberg. Alcock informed that "Itchke" is now living at 1250 Stone Street, Apartment 307, Chicago, Illinois. He stated that Mrs. Edward Rosenberg, within recent months, was living at the Manhattan Towers Hotel, at 76th and Broadway, New York City, but that she has now returned to Chicago. He also informed that "Itchke" was in New York at the said hotel from approximately April 8 to April 15, 1934. "Itchke" is now in Chicago.

Alcock advised that until recently a Mrs. Johnson, was in charge of the apartments at 1250 Stone Street, Chicago, and that it was possible for the police to work through her, but that within recent days an unknown woman has taken charge of the apartment and she is said to be friendly with Rosenberg.

Alcock informed that "Itchke" is friendly with one Louis A. Sachs, 188 West Randolph Street, Chicago, Illinois, whose telephone number is not known and is supposed to be unlisted.

Alcock secured from the apartment house where "Itchke" resides, a list of all the telephone calls made by "Itchke" during recent weeks, and the said list has been furnished to Agent Jamison of this office, who will submit a memorandum on the same. Alcock advised that on Friday, May 11, 1934, he called the following numbers from his (Rosenberg's) telephone:-

Rockwell 3271; Mohawk 2384; Harrison 4300; Nevada 8677.

On Saturday, May 12, 1934, he called Diversey 4178; Juniper 5927, Nevada 8677; Wabash 4400; and Rockwell 3271.

Alcock was advised that "Itchke" went to Hot Springs, Arkansas, about two weeks ago, the purpose of the trip not being known. He also informed that he intended to place a wire tap on the telephone of "Itchke", but he later informed that this had become impossible, because the new manager of the apartment house is friendly towards Rosenberg.

Alcock further stated that a man by the name of Barker, 159 North State Street, a jeweler, partially identified the photograph of ROY GRAY as the man who robbed him of a considerable amount of jewelry.

Alcock stated that in 1934, Roy Gray was living at 2038 Pinegrove Avenue, Chicago, and that at that time, his wife, Reville, was known as a shoplifter. It is noted that Alcock is correct in the above address.

"Itchke" is reported to have a brother-in-law, Martin Edelstein, 411 Fullerton Parkway, telephone Mohawk 2384. "Itchke" is reported to have very few visitors but it is understood ROY GRAY visited him on numerous occasions, usually in the evening, at which times Roy Gray carries a suitcase.

A few days after Agent's interview with Alcock, McIntire had an opportunity to observe "Itchke" on the streets of Chicago and Agent obtained at that time the following personal description of that party:

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| Name: | EDWARD "ITCHKE" ROSENBERG |
| Age: | 38 years |
| Height: | 5 feet 8 inches |
| Weight: | 190-200 lbs. |
| Hair: | Brown, completely bald on top; no evidence of gray hair on temples. |
| Eyes: | Probably blue. |
| Face: | Full, fat, has jowls |
| Marks: | Has deep indentation on lower left jaw, rear, as though flesh was pierced at one time. |
| Peculiarities: | Wears hat well back on head as though trying to keep cool; has a deliberate walk, appearing never to be in a hurry. Hangs around Sherman Hotel and in the Rialto Barber Shop on Randolph near Clark Street; very friendly with barbers there. Wearing gray felt hat and gray suit with black shoes. |

From the observations of Special Agent McIntire, he is confident that "Itchke" Rosenberg cannot be identical with the "IZZY" reported to have handled the Bremer ransom notes with "SLIM", McLaughlin and others.

On May 23rd, 1934, a letter was sent to the Salt Lake City Division Office requesting that they conduct an investigation at Tabernash, Colorado, where Dr. Joseph P. Moran has a sister, Mrs. L. A. Chappell, who operates, with her husband, a resort at that point.

The Salt Lake City Office was furnished with a photograph, description, and details concerning this case, particularly with reference to Dr. Moran, and was requested to determine whether or not Dr. Moran is now visiting his sister at Tabernash, Colorado, which would offer an ideal hiding place.

It is observed that certain notations are made from page 75 to page 82 to the effect that certain articles have been sent to the Division for fingerprint examination. In view of recent instructions from the Division, these articles will be retained in the Chicago office and examined here.

UNDEVELOPED LEADS:

THE CHICAGO DIVISION OFFICE will carry out all leads suggested in this report.

Offices receiving copies of this report are requested to examine it carefully for such leads as may be outstanding in their districts.

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Special Agent in Charge,
Chicago, Illinois.

Dear Sir:

ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, Identification Order 1218; ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases, Identification Order 1219, et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, VICTIM; KIDNAPING.

The Division is in receipt of the report of Special Agent K. R. McIntire, June 20, 1934, Chicago, Illinois, and it is noted that the period of investigation covered by this report is April 20, to June 20, 1934. It appears from a review of this report that much of the information contained therein could have and should have been submitted more promptly in separate reports as the investigation progressed.

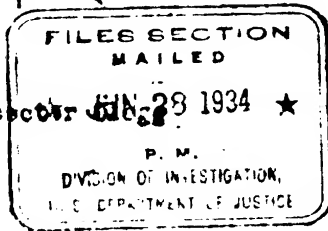
The Division feels that by submitting shorter reports and setting out at the end of each report undeveloped leads suggested by the contents of the report, the investigation will be conducted in a more thorough manner than by submitting a lengthy report and setting out a blanket undeveloped lead to the effect that the reporting office "will carry out all leads suggested in this report".

The Division desires an expression of your opinion regarding the above comments.

Very truly yours,

Director.

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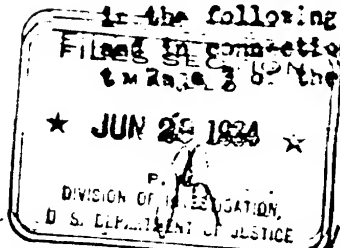
Special Agent in Charge,
Detroit, Michigan.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, Identification Order
1218; ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases, Identifica-
tion Order 1219, et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, VICTIM
KIDNAPING.

The Division has received a report from the Chicago Office rendered by Special Agent E. R. McIntire, dated June 23, 1934 in the above entitled case consisting of 125 pages. No copies of this report were designated for your office. The Chicago Office is now endeavoring to locate one Mr. Joseph P. Moran, who resided at the Irving Hotel, 4849 Irving Park Boulevard, Chicago, Illinois, and who had offices on the second floor of the building located at 4861 Irving Park Boulevard. It appears from the investigation conducted by the Chicago Office that Mr. Moran is closely associated with "Slim", one of the passers of the Bremer ransom money, who has since been identified as Russell Gibson, subject of Identification Order 1213 and that on April 27, 1934 when publicity was given to the arrest of J. J. "Boss" McLaughlin and others, Mr. Moran disappeared and has not been seen since then.

On May 2, 1934 Special Agents of the Chicago Office entered the office of Dr. Moran and among the papers found in his desk was a piece of torn card on one side of which appeared the words "Whitcomb 4200-236 Lena". This notation evidently refers to a New York City telephone number and the New York Office is requested to make a check of this information. There is printed on this torn card the words "Toledo, Ohio" and on the opposite side of the card in ink in the following notations: "Land 7032, 4209, M. Lockwood, 70-2097".
Filed in connection with this notation the Detroit Office should refer to page 2 of the report of Special Agent M. W. Weerins, dated at



Detroit, Michigan, April 18, 1934, wherein it is noted that one C. W. Woods, who accompanied a member of the Barker-Karpis gang to the firm of Lyman Arnold, Incorporated at the time Ford V-8 Sedan #18-473080 was purchased, resided at 4209 North Lockwood Street, Telephone Lansdale 6282, according to the records of the Arnold Motor Company. A subsequent report of Special Agent M. W. Meekins dated at Detroit, Michigan, May 3, 1934 reflects the results of an interview had with C. W. Woods, who, according to the report, resided at 4211 North Lockwood Street and who denied acquaintanceship with members of the Barker-Karpis gang and also failed to identify their photographs.

From the above it would appear that there is some connection between Woods and members of the Barker-Karpis gang or that members of the Barker-Karpis gang resided for a time in Toledo, Ohio. The Detroit Office is instructed to give this matter further and immediate attention and every effort should be made to develop through reliable sources of information at Toledo, Ohio any information which will tend to establish the presence of members of the Barker-Karpis gang in that city, and the reasons for their presence there. The identity of C. W. Woods should be definitely established as well as his connection with this mob.

Very truly yours,

Director.

CC Chicago
New York
Inspector Clegg

UNITED STATES BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA

FILE NO. 7-82

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| REPORT MADE AT: Chicago, Ill. | DATE WHEN MADE: 6/19/34 | PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 6/8/34 | REPORT MADE BY: E. R. McINTIRE LM |
| TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. 1218; ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases, I.O. 1219; ET AL; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim | | | CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING |
| <p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Investigation conducted in following towns in Wisconsin in an effort to locate the hideout:</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;"> <div style="text-align: center;"> Patch Grove Bagley Milleville Woodman </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> Boscobel Bloomington Wyalusing </div> </div> | | | |
| <p>REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent E. R. McIntire, Chicago, Illinois, dated 6/15/34.</p> | | | |
| <p>DETAILS: Investigation was made in the following towns in the State of Wisconsin by Special Agent M. F. Glynn on June 8, 1934, in an effort to locate the Bremer hideout, without results:</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;"> <div style="text-align: center;"> Patch Grove Bagley Milleville Boscobel </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> Bloomington Wyalusing Woodman </div> </div> | | | |
| <p>DETAILS: <u>AT PATCH GROVE, WISCONSIN:</u></p> <p>J. J. Saunders, Postmaster, gave the following information. This town has a population of 200 people and is located on a rough country gravel road. There is no siren or factory whistle in this town, and it is not possible to hear any from nearby towns. The Methodist Church bell rings at 9:30 and 10:00 A.M. on Sunday.</p> | | | |
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The Catholic Church bell rings at 8:00 A.M. every other Sunday. Neither one of said bells ring on Saturday afternoons or evenings. This town is not served by a railroad.

Mr. Saunders could not identify any of the photographs shown to him, neither could he recall if any of the suspects ever received mail here. Mr. Saunders could offer no information regarding the hideout.

Photographs were shown to the following persons, without results:

F. H. Booth, O. Pohle, Grocers
R. Patch, Wallpaper hanger
W. Andrews, City Marshal
J. D. Sanney, R. Patch, Gasoline Station & Garage Operators
E. Ammerman, Meter Reader, Interstate Power Co.

There are no lumber yards, drug stores, water works, located here.

AT HODGKINTON, WISCONSIN:

This is an inland town of 500 people. Miss C. Whitcomb, Postmistress, gave the following information. Their siren, located here, blows at noon and in case of fire. There is no factory whistle here and it is not possible to hear any from nearby towns. The Methodist and Congregational Church bells ring at 9:00, 9:30, and 10:00 A.M. on Sunday morning. The Catholic Church bell rings at 6:30 and 7:00 A.M., 12:00 Noon and 6:00 P.M. daily. On Sunday this bell rings at 6:30 A.M., (8:00 and 10:00 A.M. on the second and fourth Sundays of the month, 8:00 A.M. on the first Sunday of the month, and 10:00 A.M. on the third Sunday of the month) 12:00 Noon and 6:00 P.M.

Miss C. Whitcomb could not identify any of the photographs shown to her, neither could she recall if any of the suspects ever received mail here.

Photographs were exhibited to the following persons, without results:

F. B. Porter, A. R. Sterns, Grocers
A. E. Welsh, C. Hillary, F. Dagnon, Gas Station & Garage
Owners
H. L. Pohle, Wallpaper hanger
C. Cassen, City Marshal & Meter Reader for Water Works
H. L. Walling, Meter Reader, Interstate Power Co.,
O. Hatch, Druggist

There is no lumber yard located here.

AT BAGLEY, WISCONSIN:

H. Newman, Postmaster, gave the following information. This town has a population of 250 people and is located on a gravel country road. There is no siren or factory whistle here, and it is not possible to hear either from nearby towns. The Methodist Church bell, the only bell in town, rings at 9:00, 9:30 and 10:50 every Sunday morning, and at no other time. This town is located on the main line of the C. B. & Q. R. R. However, only two trains a day stop here at 10:30 A.M. and 2:15 P.M.

Mr. Newman could not identify any of the photographs shown to him, neither could he recall if any of the suspects ever received mail here. Mr. Newman could offer no information regarding the hideout.

Photographs were exhibited to the following persons, without results:

F. A. Glass, C. D. Calkins, L. Dawson, Grocers
J. Behlman, L. Orr, Gas Station & Garage Owners
R. Willard, Wallpaper hanger
F. A. Glass, Deputy Sheriff
Ed Walz, Mueser Lumber Co.
H. L. Walling, Meter Reader, Interstate Power Co., Bloomington,
Wisconsin.

There are no drug stores or water works located here.

Observation was made of all houses in the vicinity of the railroad tracks in an effort to locate the hideout house.

AT WYALUSING, WISCONSIN:

There is nothing here with the exception of a general store and gasoline station operated by J. R. Snow. Mr. Snow and his wife could not identify any of the photographs shown to them.

AT MILLEVILLE, WISCONSIN:

Dorothy Horsfall, in the absence of Postmaster George Brown, who operates the only store and gasoline station here, gave the following information. This town has a population of about 15 people and is located on a rough country highway. There are no sirens, factory whistles or railroads in this town. The Methodist Church bell, the only bell in town, rings at 8:30 and 9:30 A.M. every Sunday morning, and at no other time.

Miss Horsfall could not identify any of the photographs shown to her and she could not recall if any of the suspects ever called for mail here.

AT WOODMAN, WISCONSIN:

Mrs. Marian Lull, Postmistress, gave the following information. This town has a population of about 80 people and is located on a rough country road. It has no siren or factory whistle and it is not possible to hear any from nearby towns. There are no church bells located here. This town is served by the C.M.St.P. & P. R.R. which operates two trains through here daily at 5:15 A.M., 12:00 Noon, 12:09 P.M. and 9:15 P.M.

Mrs. Lull could not identify any of the photographs shown to her, neither could she recall if any of the suspects ever received mail here. Mrs. Lull could offer no information regarding the hideout.

Photographs were shown to the following persons, without results:

M. Kelly, Elda Van, Grocers
H. Glynn, J. Kelly, Gasoline Station & Garage Owners
R. Kelly, Kelly Lumber Yard

There are no meter readers, drug stores, lumber yards, wallpaper hangers or city marshals in this town.

Observation was made of all houses in the vicinity of the railroad tracks and it was found that none of them fitted the description of the hideout house.

AT BOSCOBEL, WISCONSIN:

Fred Scheinpflug, Postmaster, gave the following information. This town has a population of 1,760 people, and is located on U. S. Highway #61, a gravel road. The siren located here blows daily at noon and in case of fire. There are no factory whistles here and it is not possible to hear any from nearby towns. The Catholic Church bell rings daily at 7:00 A.M. On Sunday it rings at 7:30, 8:00, 9:30 and 10:00 A.M. The Methodist Church bell rings at 9:30 and 10:00 A.M. on Sunday and the Congregational Church bell rings at 10:00 and 11:00 A.M. on Sunday. This town is served by the C. M. St. P. & P. R.R. which operates six trains daily through here at 5:45 A.M., 11:57 A.M., 2:40 P.M., 9:00 P.M., 11:00 P.M. and 2:45 A.M.

Mr. Scheinpflug could not identify any of the photographs shown to him, neither could he or any of his clerks recall if any of the suspects ever received mail here. He could not give any information relative to the hideout.

Photographs were shown to the following persons, without results:

G. Schoellig, R. Spiegelberg, W. Kland, Grocers
E. Murray, C. Mead, L. Perry, H. Johnson, P. Ferrell,
Gas Station & Garage Owners
C. A. Bowers, City Marshal
R. R. Williams, Meter Reader, Water Works & Gas Co.
C. E. Yahn, Taylor Lumber Co.
A. J. Seaman & F. V. Ketner, Druggists
B. Baldwin, Wallpaper hanger

Observation was made of all homes in the vicinity of the railroad tracks in an effort to locate the Bremer hideout.

No investigation was made in the following towns in Grant County, Wisconsin, due to the fact that Agent was instructed to dis-

continue further investigation in said County:

Platteville
Glenhaven
Bestown
Rockville
Potosi
Kieler

Cuba City
Andover
Cassville
British Hollow
Lafayette
Fairplay

Kimo
Lancaster
Burton
Dickeyville
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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT St. Paul, Minn.

File #7-24

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| REPORT MADE AT: Portland, Oregon | DATE WHEN MADE: 6-18-34 | PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE: 6-13-34 | REPORT MADE BY: W. K. Bowling |
| TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. #1218 ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases, I.O. #1219, et al EDWARD GEORGE BREMER (VICTIM) | | | CHARACTER OF CASE: Kidnaping |
| <p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:</p> <p>Wm. J. Burns International Detective Agency, Seattle, Wash., or Luke S. May, Acting Chief of Detectives, Seattle, has no information to effect Alvin Karpis, Arthur R. Barker, Fred Barker or Harry Campbell are in this vicinity.</p> <p>P.</p> <p>REFERENCE: Division letter dated June 7, 1934, with enclosure.</p> <p>- At Seattle, Washington -</p> <p>DETAILS:</p> <p>Attached to Division letter of reference was a copy of a letter from Luke S. May, Acting Chief of Detectives, Seattle, in which he advised that the Wm. J. Burns International Detective Agency at Seattle had informed him that they had information that Fred Barker, Alvin Karpis, Arthur R. Barker and Harry Campbell were supposed to be in the Seattle territory.</p> | | | |
| APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <i>W. K. Bowling</i> SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE | | DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES | |
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Acting Chief of Detectives Luke S. May, Seattle, upon interview advised that Mr. Marshall, in charge of the Wm. J. Burns International Detective Agency, Seattle, advised him some time ago, that he had obtained information that above named parties were possibly in this territory; that he was unable to locate an identification order on any of above parties except Alvin Karpis and Arthur R. Barker, and wondered if all of the parties named by Mr. Marshall were wanted by this Division; that this was the reason he wrote the Director the above mentioned letter.

A. D. Marshall, in charge of the Wm. J. Burns International Detective Agency, located in the Vance Building, Seattle, was interviewed and advised that some time during May of this year he received a letter from their office in Memphis, Tennessee, advising that an Agent of the Division of Investigation, U. S. Department of Justice, had shown them a circular or group picture with the above named parties' photographs on same and advised that these parties were possibly somewhere in the northwest but that nothing was said about them being in the Seattle territory or in the state of Washington. Mr. Marshall further advised that he had no information that any of the above named parties were or had been in this section but should at any time his office obtain any information as to these parties, the information would be immediately passed on to the writer.

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Mr. Nathan
Mr. Tolson
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Cowley
Mr. Egan
Mr. Quinn
Mr. Lester
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tamm

March 10, 1934

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

On July 26, 1932 the Cloud County Bank at Concordia, Kansas, was robbed and the loot included approximately \$240,000.00 which bonds were returned to the officials of the bank for the sum of \$15,000.00 and the negotiations for the return of these bonds were made through Mr. W. S. Gordon, who for a number of years has been in charge of the Burns Detective Agency at Minneapolis, Minnesota. There is every indication that Alvin Karpis and Fred Barker were among the participants in this robbery.

As a typical example of how "hot" bonds are recovered in St. Paul and Minneapolis, Minnesota, whereby no investigation is ever made in an effort to trace the source of the stolen bonds beyond the barrier set up by the Burns Detective Agency in the person of W. S. Gordon, the following is a quoted portion taken from a memorandum dated March 1, 1934, submitted by Special Agent D. L. Nicholson in the Bremer case:

"Agent interviewed Mr. W. S. Gordon, who is in charge of the Minneapolis Branch of the Burns Detective Agency with offices at 650 McKnight Building, Minneapolis. He advised that on July 26, 1932, the Cloud County Bank at Concordia, Kansas, was robbed by unknown individuals; that shortly thereafter, he established contact at Minneapolis, Minnesota, with a confidential informant and began negotiations for the return of the bonds, valued at approximately \$240,000, for the sum of \$15,000. He further stated that between September 1, 1932, and September 25, 1932, all of these bonds were returned to him, part being returned at the Ryan Hotel in St. Paul and part at the Nicollet Hotel in Minneapolis.

Gordon further advised that in his own mind, he is convinced that Alvin Karpis and Fred Barker participated in this bank robbery although he has never been able to have them identified as participants; that during the negotiations for the return of the bonds, he had photographs of these individuals forwarded to the Cloud

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"County Bank at Concordia, Kansas, but no identification of Karpis and Barker as being participants in the robbery was made.

Mr. Gordon further advised that his confidential informant was not one of the thieves but in his opinion is removed four or possibly five people from the actual thieves and holders of the bonds; and that in his opinion, it would be impossible to trace these negotiations back in order to definitely know the direct contact in the Twin Cities of the holders of the bonds. It was Agent's intention to make an effort in tracing these negotiations back. However, Mr. Gordon stated that his confidential informant was in no way a criminal but did at times associate with gamblers; and that the disclosure of his name to this Agent would serve no purpose to him and he would lose thereby a valuable confidential informant. For this reason, Mr. Gordon refused to furnish the name of his confidential informant, as result of which the contacts in the negotiations for the return of the bonds could not be traced.

Mr. Gordon further stated that he is unaware of any of the contacts beyond his confidential informant and has no knowledge relative to the location of the bonds at the time the negotiations were under way. Mr. Gordon was asked whether or not negotiations were not made by him in the vicinity or at White Bear Lake, Minnesota. He advised that as far as he knows, White Bear Lake at no time figured in the negotiation, and as far as his knowledge goes, all negotiations were made in the Twin Cities.

Respectfully submitted,
D. L. NICHOLSON,
Special Agent.

ADDENDUM:

The chances are that Mr. Gordon's informant and contact is Frank Sommers, ex-Chief of Police of St. Paul, who, according to rumors I have heard for the past year and a half, is a middle man in this type of transactions. Of course, I can not prove this and I do not believe that there is much use in asking Mr. Gordon point blank.

O. G. HALL,
Special Agent."

Director


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In connection with the above, it would be an interesting observation to know the total amount of bonds and securities recovered by banks throughout the country through the medium of the Burns Detective Agency at Minneapolis, Minnesota, and also the number of bank robbers and the like, who have been identified through the investigative activities of that agency. I have gathered the impression through reading numerous reports submitted through all the field offices of the Division that the total amount of recoveries is considerable, whereas the number of identifications is negligible.

If it is possible to obtain these figures through the American Bankers Association or some confidential source it would throw much light on the situation in St. Paul and Minneapolis with reference to the tie-up between the underworld and the police officials there. Of course, under this set-up whereby the Burns Detective Agency receives large commissions on recoveries it is easy to understand why no cooperation can be expected from that quarter in establishing the identity of the criminal for the purpose of preventing further robberies.

Respectfully,


R. E. Newby.

P.O.Box 515, St. Paul, Minn.

June 20, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U.S. Department of Justice,
1900 Bankers' Building,
Chicago, Illinois.



Dear Sir:

RE: BREKID

St. Paul File No. 7-20

Reference is made to your letter dated May 19, 1934, addressed to the Director with reference to the above entitled matter, listing articles delivered to fingerprint expert, Mr. Aaron Kohn, for examination in the Division's laboratory.

From information obtained from Mrs. Bessie Green, during the course of interviews with her, it was learned that gangsters usually stopped at apartment houses where the manager, or owner, was considered friendly to the gangsters and their interests. With this in mind, the suggestion is made that in an effort to ascertain the whereabouts of ALVIN KARPIS further inquiries might be made at the headquarters of the rental agency which rented the apartment to KARPIS under the name of LOHMAN. This suggestion is likewise based upon observations that there was a list of other real estate establishments which, apparently, had been prepared by the manager of the apartment building in which KARPIS lived.

It is likewise suggested that inquiries be made at the offices of the McCall Company Magazine to determine if there has been a forwarding address left in connection with the subscription for this magazine, apparently subscribed to by Dolores Delaney under the name of Mrs. W.B. Lohman.

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Very truly yours,

H.M. CLEGG, INSPECTOR

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Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice
P.O. Box 515, St. Paul, Minn.

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June 20, 1934.

Director,
Division of Investigation,
U.S. Department of Justice,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
I.O.#1218; ARTHUR R. BARKER,
with aliases, I.O.#1219; et al.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim.
KIDNAPING.
St. Paul File No. 7-30

There is enclosed herewith a copy of communication dated
June 14, 1934, addressed to the St. Paul Office by Special Agent
Fortenberry.

Copies of the above are being furnished the Salt Lake
City and the San Francisco Offices of the Division.

Very truly yours,

[Signature]
H.H. CLEGG, INSPECTOR.

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Mr. D.M. Ladd
St. Paul, Minnesota

Dear Mr. Ladd:

I have just talked to the office there, while you and Mr. Clegg were both out to lunch. I had overlooked the change in time, otherwise I would have called when I was sure you were in. ***
(ADMINISTRATIVE) ***

It seems that there is going to be plenty of action in this state during the summer. All the politicians are getting into action, and it looks as if they are going to attempt in a big way to rescue the state from the control of Graham and McKay. I had quite a long talk today with the Chairman of the Democratic Party of this county, and he is greatly worked up over the matter of beating Graham and McKay regardless of party lines. It seems that both the parties of this state have been ruled for fifteen or twenty years by the same individuals, as both National Committeemen used the same telephone and office, and both were subject to the call of Graham and McKay. It seems that Senator Pittman is sure to be beat this year if anyone can raise the money to make a campaign against him. It is generally known here that he made trips to New York in an attempt to have the indictment of Graham and McKay nol-prossed, and I understand that they are only waiting until the time is ripe to spring the surprise on him.

Kindrick Johnson here is contemplating running for the Senate against Pittman, and he is a good friend of mine, as he is a frequenter of all the night clubs around here, and I have known him since arriving here. He informed me today that he knew of plenty of instances where Graham and McKay had hid out people, and that he would give me the low down later. I insisted that I had no interest in politics in this state or any other but still he insisted on telling me of the many things they had pulled in the state. The general public here seems to be against the combination of Graham, McKay, Wingfield, Thacher and Woodburn; however I doubt if they are able to beat them in all the races of the state, for the simple reason that the Graham, McKay combination still largely control the financial end of the state, as well as the political machine. I merely give you all this information for what it may be worth, and in case you are interested in further developments of this type it will be an easy matter to obtain all the political scandal. I have been solicited on numerous occasions to contribute money for the purpose of ousting the machine that has been in power so long. It may be through

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conversation with them, that I will be able to find out where these boys are hiding their fugitives.

I have just listened to the fight, and it is the general impression around the Bank Club that Graham and McKay probably won a couple of hundred thousand on the fight. This is not certain by any means; however Jack Price former Manager of Dempsey told me that he was sure that they won at least that much.

Very truly yours,

F.T. Berry

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U. S. Department of Justice
P. O. Box 1276
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JUN 25 1934

Director,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

Re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. #1218;
ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases, I.O. #1219;
et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim;
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir :

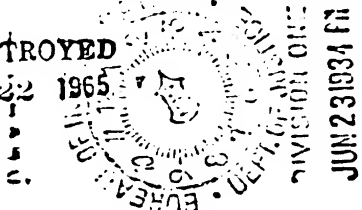
Reference is hereby made to Division letter dated June 14, 1934, and letter from the Chicago office over the signature of Special Agent S. P. Cowley, dated June 14, 1934.

Bill Eads, Deputy Sheriff and criminal investigator for the Oklahoma County Sheriff's Office, advised Special Agent Paul Hansen that the persons involved in connection with the bank robbery charge for which Russell Gibson is wanted at Oklahoma City are: Russell Gibson, James M. Hayes alias "Cowboy" Hayes, Charles Merritt, Doc Thompson and Bobby Thompson. Charles Merritt has been convicted and given twenty years in the Oklahoma State Penitentiary. Doc Thompson was acquitted by a jury, although it is Mr. Eads' opinion that Doc Thompson planned the robbery. Bobby Thompson, son of Doc Thompson, turned state's evidence and has helped the state considerably. He is now employed at the Oriental Drug Company, Tenth and Robinson Streets, Oklahoma City. Gibson and Hayes are still wanted by Oklahoma County for this robbery. Mr. Eads advised that Gibson's wife is not wanted, and no other woman is wanted in connection with this robbery.

Bobby Thompson was interviewed at the Oriental Drug Company by Special Agent Paul Hansen in the presence of Deputy Sheriff Eads, and Thompson identified the photograph of Russell Gibson, and also identified the photograph of Estelle Gray alias Clara Gray alias Mrs. R. Gray Evans, as being Gibson's wife. Thompson was positive of this identification, and further advised that her maiden name is not Clara Moore as heretofore thought, but is Clara Fisher. She was, according to Thompson, formerly married to Lonnie O'Froni of Kansas City, and while O'Froni was serving time in Jefferson City, Missouri, she married Gibson. Thompson had no further information concerning this woman except that she is well known in Kansas City where Gibson has had most of his contacts. He said that

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Gibson's father, first name not known, was a building contractor in Miami, Florida, five or six years ago, when he was closely connected with Gibson.

The Jacksonville office is not being asked to endeavor to locate Gibson in Miami, but this is being left to the discretion of the St. Paul office which office may be in possession of information which is more definite concerning Russell Gibson's father and his location.

Deputy Sheriff Eads advised Agent Hansen that a Mr. Dutton, Burns representative in Kansas City, Missouri, had a lot of information regarding Russell Gibson at one time, and it is suggested that the Kansas City office interview Dutton along this line. The Kansas City office is also requested to make some inquiries concerning Russell Gibson's wife, who usually goes by the name of Clara which, according to Thompson, is her real name, keeping in mind the information contained in the report of Special Agent W. M. Bott, Los Angeles, California, dated 6-7-34.

The Oklahoma City office will review its file in the case titled RUSSELL GIBSON - FUGITIVE; National Motor Vehicle Theft Act, at the earliest possible time with a view of obtaining some information that will be of assistance in apprehending Gibson alias Gray.

Very truly yours,

Earle M. Black

Earle M. Black, Acting
Special Agent in Charge.

cc St. Paul
Chicago
Kansas City
Los Angeles
O.C. File 26-2022

P. O. Box 1296,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma,
June 17, 1934.

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Director,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Dept. of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

Re: JOHN HERBERT DILLINGER, with aliases - FUGITIVE
I.O.#1219; JOHN HAMILTON, with alias, I.O.#1250;
HOWARD V. M. METER, with aliases, I.O.#1222; ALBERT
W. REILLY, with aliases, I.O.#1223; LESTER E.
GILLIS, with aliases, I.O.#1223; THOMAS LEONARD
CARROLL, with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O.#1224; et al;
National Motor Vehicle Theft Act.
Obstruction of Justice (Conspiracy to Harbor Fugitives)

Dear Sir:

Following our telephonic conversation yesterday afternoon, I pro-
ceeded to Oklahoma City from Kansas City arriving here the morning of June 17th.
I met Mr. F. J. Black of Dallas at the office. Mr. E. M. Black was also at the
office. I discussed with Mr. Black any conversation or conference he had with
a representative of the Burn's Detective Agency on June 16. Mr. Black informed
me that on the morning of June 16, J. A. Huff, local Burn's Representative
called the office by phone and asked for me and he was informed that I was out
of the City. Huff asked when I would return and Black informed him about the
middle of the following week. Mr. Black then asked Huff if he could do anything
for him. Huff's reply was "wait a moment", following which he informed Black
that he would see him at the office at 11:15 a.m. Mr. Black informs me that he
remained here until 5:40 p.m. and Huff failed to appear or to contact him by
phone or in any way to cancel the appointment. Mr. Black informs me he also
asked all of the Agents if they had any contact with any of the Agents of the
Burn's Agency and that he was informed in the negative.

Several attempts were made this morning to get in touch with W. S.
Gordon at the Kingcade Hotel in Oklahoma City but without results until 12:35 p.m.
in the meantime however I called J. A. Huff and asked him whether he desired
to discuss any matters with me yesterday or today. He informed that yesterday
he made an attempt to get me but was informed that I was out of the City and
that he talked to Mr. Black and made an appointment with Mr. Black to meet him
in the office at 11:15 a.m. but that he failed to keep the appointment for the
reason that W. S. Gordon of the Burn's Agency of the Minneapolis Office was the

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man who really wished to contact me in the office, as Gordon is alleged to have some information concerning the possible whereabouts of one Jim Clark, notorious outlaw in this section. Mr. Black states that at the time of his conversation with Huff on June 16 he mentioned something about Jim Clark and possibly had some information concerning him, but the names of Karpis and Barker were not mentioned. I queried Huff this morning as to whether he wished to discuss any persons other than Jim Clark and he said that he did not. I asked why Huff did not fill the appointment with Mr. Black and he replied that after he finished his conversation with Mr. Black he informed Gordon that I was not in but that Mr. Black would discuss the matter with him and Gordon replied "Oh, well, let the matter drop". In his conversation with me Mr. Huff intimated that he does not think much of Gordon and that he does not propose to have anything further to do with him during his stay in Oklahoma City.

Gordon came to the office about 1:20 p.m. today and introduced himself as a Representative of the Burn's Agency out of St. Paul and Minneapolis. He began his conversation by stating that he has been in this part of the country, naming the states of Arkansas, Texas, Louisiana and Oklahoma, for three weeks (which is untrue, as the Division knows when he left St. Paul). He said that he was been working with some "stoops" in an effort to locate some criminals, not naming any, and that his presence here on this mission was brought about in the following manner: Some man in Chicago, he didn't name him, went to Lloyd's Insurance Company in Chicago and informed them that he could locate some stuff that had been stolen but that the Police nor any enforcement officials could handle the matter; that out of about fifteen men who were not named, he, Gordon, was selected for the job. He did not go into details as to the nature of the stolen property or from where it was stolen.

He stated that in the State Penitentiary at McAlester there was one Buck Adams, who at one time was an associate of Bob Brady, and that last week Adams' wife went to the farm of one Bill Schlegel, located fourteen miles North and East of Shamrock, Texas and that information is to the effect that Jim Clark and possibly Frank Delmar have been hiding out at this farm; that also Doc Barker might be there. He was questioned closely as to why Doc Barker would be there and his best explanation was a surmise. He said that practically all of the law officials around Shamrock were dishonest and could not be trusted, and harped on this for sometime. He also stated that one Rex Warr of Shamrock is the contact man for the outlaws frequenting Schlegel's farm and that Rex Warr's father is an ex-sheriff at Shamrock. Gordon said that his information is that Jim Clark was supposed to be at the Schlegel farm on Tuesday June 12 and that he learned of that on June 13. It should be observed here that Gordon said that he obtained

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this information on June 15, yet he apparently made no attempt to report it to any one connected with the Division until the 16th and any attempt made then was a very poor one.

Gordon was questioned as to any information that he might have in connection with Karpis and Barker. He stated that they were in Arkansas about fourteen days ago near a place called Cove but that they were not there now. He was asked the source of his information in this respect and replied that he was not in a position to reveal it.

Gordon informed us that he could get a letter from the convict Adams to one Rex Warr of Shanrock but said that his "stool" who would be in a position to get this letter is now in St. Louis on a "lead" but the "Stool" to whom Gordon refers is none other than Leo Delgado mentioned in previous correspondence concerning Gordon. Gordon was at a loss as to what useful purpose any letter might serve for Adams.

Gordon said that he informed Mr. Sherman Burns by telephone yesterday of the information he had obtained as to Jim Clark and that Mr. Burns informed him he would apprise you of it.

Gordon was asked if he had any further information concerning Jim Clark, the Barkers or Karpis and he replied that he had none. In our interview with Gordon we studiously refrained from referring to John Dillinger but waited until he brought up his name. He said that his Agency is not particularly interested in Dillinger but it is believed that possibly if they wanted to they could make a bank robbery charge against him at Mason City, Iowa. We then asked him if he had any information as to Dillinger's location. He believes that he is in Southern Illinois.

The foregoing constitutes the extent of the information furnished us by Gordon and I believe it speaks for itself.

We extended every courtesy and cooperation to Gordon. He was asked how long he expected to be in the City and he replied he is leaving for St. Louis tonight by train. We told him that this office or any representative of the Division would be glad to cooperate with him and receive from him any information that he might have relative to criminals mentioned in this letter or any others and he countered with "I'll wire you if I get anything further".

The foregoing was furnished the Division by long distance telephone on June 17.

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With respect to the Sahlegal farm in Shamrock, Texas it is the best judgment of Mr. Blake, Mr. Black and myself that before any group of men are taken there to make a raid that the necessary preliminary investigation should be made and Mr. Blake proposes to have this done immediately.

Very truly yours,

Dwight Brantley
Special Agent in Charge

cc 1 Chicago
1 St Paul
2 Dallas

Post Office Box 515,
St. Paul, Minn.

June 20, 1934

Director,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I am attaching hereto copies of a form letter sent by this office on June 19, 1934, to all sheriffs in the territory covered by the St. Paul Division office. This form letter requests information as to the names and addresses of all tourists camps in each county and is being compiled in order that Identification Orders in connection with the JODIL and BRKID cases may be forwarded to these tourists camps.

Very truly yours,

D. M. LADD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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Division of Investigation
U. S. Department of Justice

P. O. Box 515,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

June 19, 1934.

Dear Sir:

I would greatly appreciate if you would furnish me with the names and addresses of all tourist camps in your County, in order that the records of this office will be complete.

I am enclosing a self-addressed envelope which requires no postage, to assist you in replying.

Very truly yours,

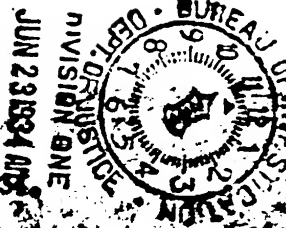
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D. M. LADD,
Special Agent in Charge.

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P.O.Box 515, St.Paul, Minn.

June 20, 1934



Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U.S. Department of Justice,
P.O.Box 1276,
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Dear Sir:

Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases,
I.O.#1218; ARTHUR R. BARKER,
with aliases, I.O.#1219; et al.
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim.
KIDNAPING.
St. Paul File No. 7-30

Confirming telephone conversation with your office, today,
you are advised that Mr. EDWARD G. BREMER received the following
letter this morning and immediately turned it over to me:

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Ft. Smith
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Mr Edward G. Bremer
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Dear Sir:

I have been asked by a prisoner in the Okla
State Prison to write you this letter. He wants to
get in touch with Department of Justice in regards
to your kidnapping. Says He can locate men accused.
He does not trust any local officials for fear of
connection with this Gang. I do not know any De-
partment of Justice operative here. So if interested
Have one get in touch with me here. And I will explain
all to him. This man is a former county official and
is now serving time for Harboring this Gang. Thanking
you for your attention to this

Respectfully
Ed Williams
Ft Smith Ark
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It is suggested that appropriate investigation be made.

Very truly yours,

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H.H. CLEGG, INSPECTOR.

CC Little Rock
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June 19, 1934.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

I telephoned Mr. Clegg at St. Paul this afternoon and gave him the following information: We have a communication addressed to the Department of Justice from the Fulton Thermometer Company at Brooklyn, New York. This concern sent a circular letter to a number of drug stores and hospitals in Minneapolis and on the back of one of the circular letters, which was returned to them, is the following communication, dated June 14, 1934, Minneapolis, Minnesota, signed "Sincerely, John Dillinger." (I then read to Mr. Clegg the letter referred to).

I told Mr. Clegg that you thought possibly the reference in this letter that Dillinger is occupying the home of a friend of his while the latter is at Washington, might refer to a Congressman with a previous criminal record. Mr. Clegg offered the suggestion that it might apply to "some Senator who can't see well out of one of his eyes."

I informed Mr. Clegg that the Fulton Thermometer Company, in its first communication, stated that this circular letter was mailed to seven drug companies in Minneapolis, although a subsequent letter of the same date stated that the circular letter was sent to a limited list of hospitals in Minnesota; that this Company sent to the Division a number of gummed stickers of various homes and hospitals in Minnesota to which the circular letter was mailed. I gave Mr. Clegg the names and addresses of the various drug stores mentioned by the Fulton Company.

I stated that since the letter had been handled so much I didn't believe anything could be accomplished by searching for fingerprints; that the envelope in which it was returned was postmarked at Minneapolis, June 16, 1934, 10:30 a.m. Mr. Clegg indicated that he didn't place any credence in this story, and suggested that all of the material be transmitted to the Crime Laboratory to ascertain whether the letter was written on the same typewriter that the Bremer notes were written on. He felt this would be the greatest value the letter might be.

I asked Mr. Clegg if he felt it advisable to assign Agents to make a check of the various hospitals and drug stores mentioned. Mr. Clegg stated his reaction would be that if we had nothing else to do, this action might be taken, but that to accomplish this investigation now, it would be necessary to remove some of the Agents who are looking for the Bremer hide-out. He mentioned, incidentally, that as a result of the telephone calls made in this connection in the first eleven counties in Southern Wisconsin, in the St. Paul district only, twenty-two towns were located where a siren and whistle blow simultaneously, and likewise blew in January and February. Mr. Clegg stated that they feel encouraged by this, and are concentrating their efforts

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in that direction.

Mr. Clegg stated that if the letter referred from the Fulton Company were a "hot" lead he felt it would be worth while to make the investigation at the hospitals and drug stores, but from the standpoint of relative value, he felt this communication "just clutters up the files" unless there is some evidence that Dillinger did write it. He stated that of course if we felt here that it would be best to check it, he would be glad to do it. I told him that we would send it immediately to the Crime Laboratory to be checked.

Respectfully,

E. A. Tamm.

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June 20, 1934

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TAMM

Special Agent Val Zimmer of the Chicago Office telephoned on June 19, 1934 to advise that information had been received showing that B. E. Gerson had returned to his apartment, 1117 North Dearborn Street, Chicago, Illinois and requested advice whether the Division desired Gerson, whose true name is Jules Galatas, trailed by Agents of the Chicago office. I told Mr. Zimmer that I could see no reason for placing a trail on Galatas at this time, but suggested that arrangements be made to cover his activities very closely through a mail cover and a check on all long distance telephone calls and Western Union and Postal telegrams. Mr. Zimmer stated that they had a very good contact at the apartment where Galatas is residing and in the event any strangers are seen about the apartment, the Chicago office will be promptly notified. He also stated that arrangements are being made with the telephone company to cover all long distance calls made from the apartment.

In connection with the Bremer case I suggested to Mr. Zimmer that attention be given to the fire which occurred at Williams Bay, Wisconsin on January 28th, pointing out that Williams Bay is about six miles from Marion, Wisconsin and also in the vicinity of the Hotel Como owned by Hermanson, an ex-Chief of Police of Forest Park, who is now vacationing with Russell Gibson at Arbor Vitae, Wisconsin. The Chicago Office has also ascertained that the towels found in the possession of Tommy Carroll were taken from this Hotel Como. Mr. Zimmer stated that he would call this matter to the attention of Mr. Cowley and Mr. McIntyre.

Respectfully,

R. E. Newby

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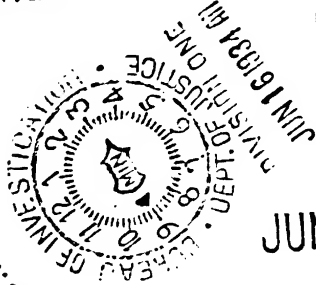
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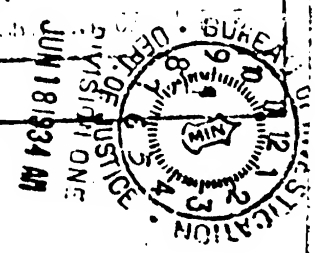
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1900 Bankers Building,
Chicago, Illinois

June 20, 1934

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
1616 Federal Reserve Bank Bldg.,
Kansas City, Missouri.

Dear Sir:

RE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O. 1212,
ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases, I.O. 1219,
ET AL
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - VICTIM

Reference is made to your letter of June 18th, 1934, in the above entitled case in which you call attention to a letter sent to your office by this office on May 23, 1934, which letter recites that the apartment of Sam Miller located at 539 Addison Street, Chicago, has been unoccupied since April 25th, 1934, and further that a telephone call was made from said apartment on May 5th, 1934, to telephone number 12-L-2, Strasburg, Missouri.

Please be advised that the information in this respect contained in the Chicago letter of May 23rd, 1934, is a mis-statement of fact. The apartment of Sam Miller was not in fact unoccupied but was occupied only at frequent intervals when Sam Miller chanced to be in Chicago. It then appears that there is no question but that the telephone call made on May 5th, 1934, was made from the telephone at Sam Miller's apartment located at 539 Addison Street.

Reference is made to the memorandum of Special Agent R. G. Reed in the above entitled matter, which accompanied your letter of June 18th, 1934. It is observed that Earnest Gates has identified the photograph of Roy Gray as being the husband of one of the daughters of Herbert Wamsley living on a farm near Strasburg, Missouri. It is also observed that very little is known concerning Herbert Wamsley and his family. It is noted, however, that he is working for Fry and Pringle, live stock commission merchants, no doubt located in Kansas City, Missouri.

It is desired that a thorough investigation be made concerning the family of Herbert Wamsley in order to ascertain definitely whether or not any daughter of Herbert Wamsley can now be living in Chicago; or can now, or could formerly have been married to or living with Roy Gray. It is

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believed that a portion of this information might be secured through Fry and Pringle.

There is nothing in the memorandum of Special Agent R. G. Reed to indicate that Earnest Gates was interviewed by an Agent and it is desired that the picture of Roy Gray be again presented to Gates to determine definitely whether he can make a positive identification of Roy Gray.

I now call your attention to the report of Special Agent F. S. Smith, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, entitled Russell Gibson, Fugitive, National Motor Vehicle Theft Act, in the undeveloped leads of which the attention of the Kansas City Office is called to the mother-in-law of Roy Gray, who is said to be Mrs. Joseph Fisher, 802 Myrtle Street, Kansas City, Missouri. Obviously there is a discrepancy between the information contained in this report and the information contained in the memorandum of R. G. Reed aforementioned.

It is observed that your office has been furnished with a photograph of Mrs. Roy Gray and it is desired that you ascertain whether she could possibly be one of the daughters of Herbert Wamsley.

You are further advised that recent investigation in Chicago disclosed that Clara Gray, also known as Estelle Gray, rents a safety deposit box together with her sister, Mrs. George D. Guymon. In the application for the rental, each, Mrs. Clara Gray and Mrs. George D. Guymon, gave the maiden name of their mother as "Eubanks". No further information as to her name or address is given in the application.

It is desired that you bear all of these things in mind in conducting this investigation.

Very truly yours,

S. P. COWLEY,

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P. O. Box 1276,
Oklahoma City, Okla.,
June 20, 1934.

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AIR MAIL

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
252 Post Office Bldg.,
St. Paul, Minn.

Dear Sir:

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RE: Alvin Karpis, with aliases, I.O. #1218,
Arthur R. Barker, with aliases,
I. O. #1219, et al
Edward George Bremer - Victim
Kidnaping.

Reference is made to telephonic conversation of even date
with Inspector Clegg, wherein he advised that Mr. Edward G. Bremer
had received a letter from Ft. Smith, Ark., dated June 17, 1934,
signed by Ed Williams, Ft. Smith, Ark., General Delivery.

This is to advise that immediately upon receipt of the
information from Inspector Clegg, Special Agent Frank Smith proceed-
ed, upon my instructions, to Ft. Smith, Ark., and I have just receiv-
ed a telephone call from Agent Smith advising that Ed Williams is
unknown at the General Delivery window of the Post Office at Fort
Smith. He is also unknown to the police and county officials, and
investigation at Fort Smith discloses that there is no such party as
Ed Williams there. Agent Smith was instructed to address a letter
to Ed Williams, care General Delivery, Fort Smith, Arkansas, advising
him the address of this office and requesting that he communicate
with us relative to information he claims to possess in connection
with the above titled case.

Very truly yours,

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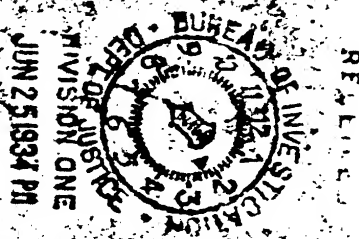
Dwight Brantley,
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326 1/2 Post Office Building,
New Orleans, Louisiana.
June 20, 1934.

Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
Hurley-Wright Building,
Washington, D. C.



Re: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I. O. #1218;
ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases, I. O. #1219;
et al; EDWARD GEORGE BREMER-VICTIM;
KIDNAPING.

Dear Sir:

With reference to the report of Special Agent James O. Peyromnia, New Orleans, Louisiana, dated 5-30-34, attached hereto is a receipt which Mrs. F. B. Hymel, of 1002 Jackson Avenue, New Orleans, Louisiana, gave to L. F. Schrader for \$5.00 deposit for linen furnished his apartment, and which receipt L. F. Schrader returned to Mrs. Hymel on March 31, 1934, at the time she returned the \$5.00 deposit to him, on which date he returned the linen and gave up the apartment.

Mrs. Hymel states that all the writing on the face of the receipt was her own, with the exception of L. F. Schrader's signature, and that Schrader wrote his forwarding address on the reverse side.

The receipt is submitted for your convenience in conducting investigation requested.

Very truly yours,

R. Whitley
R. Whitley,
Special Agent in Charge

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P.O. Box 815, St. Paul, Minn.

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DEPT. OF JUSTICE
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Director,
Division of Investigation,
U.S. Department of Justice,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:

I was present at Madison, Wisconsin, from June 14, through June 17, 1934, for the purpose of organizing the work in that particular territory and aiding the agents there in connection with their activities in the BREMER and DILLINGER cases. On the date of my arrival at Madison, the marshal transported JANE DELANEY CROFTON to the Alderson, West Virginia, institution for women.

Prior to her departure, I talked with this girl. She informed me that JOHN HAMILTON was dead. She subsequently modified this statement to state that he was either seriously hurt or dead. She indicated that, after she had rejoined TOMMY CARROLL, she inquired of him relative to the whereabouts of other members of the mob who were at Little Bohemia. She stated that she asked specifically if anyone had been hurt in the get-away from Little Bohemia and Carroll told her that no one had been hurt. She later inquired specifically concerning HAMILTON and, from the appearance and expression of Carroll, as well as certain comments of an indirect character made by him, she feels sure that HAMILTON either died or is severely injured. She had no idea what disposition had been made of him or his body. She stated it should be borne in mind that she had been with Carroll a comparatively short length of time prior to the raid at Little Bohemia and that it was natural that Carroll did not confide in her to a great extent and that it was because of the unusual indications that there had been no recent contacts with HAMILTON, and she could give nothing definite as to such indications, that she was bold enough to make the very unusual request for information as to the whereabouts of HAMILTON.

She stated that after she joined Carroll he left the hotel and stated that he was going to Cincinnati and she stated that it was reasonable to believe that he would contact, during this trip, certain members of the Dillinger gang, which

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particular ones she did not know and had not heard. She was definite in her statement that Carroll stated that he was going to Cincinnati.

She stated, likewise, that during her initial incarceration at Madison, Wisconsin, prior to being placed on probation, through some indirect source the identity of which she would not describe, Carroll had sent \$100.00 to BABE REILLY, JEAN'S sister, for delivery to JEAN but that BABE delivered to her only \$30.00. She stated that they spent only one night at the tourist camp near Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and then went to Waterloo, Iowa. The primary purpose of the trip to Waterloo was to obtain some glasses for JEAN. She stated that Carroll claimed to have worried considerably about her while she was in jail thinking that she would spend most of her time reading and he worried about her eyes and the trip to Waterloo was primarily for the purpose of getting correct glasses. She stated that it was their subsequent intention, as has been previously reported, to come into St. Paul and, through some friend of Carroll, if they were able to locate him, they would send word to BABE REILLY, JEAN'S sister, where they could be located and JEAN'S mother could come to the spot designated and see JEAN. They did not plan to remain here any length of time. She advised that, after the shooting of EDDIE GREEN, she and TOMMY CARROLL remained in St. Paul for several days before going to Chicago.

In connection with the shooting at Waterloo, she stated that she and Carroll both saw two men standing near Carroll's car and she volunteered to go over and get in the car while he could be watching her to see if they were officers but Carroll would not permit her to go alone stating that, if there were any danger, he wanted to share it with her.

She expressed the opinion that VAN METER would not subsequently call for MARIE COSTELLO CONFORTI as VAN METER was known as a man who was "girl crazy" and, likewise, he was not so crazy about this girl in particular so it would be unlikely that he would undertake the risk of trying to locate this girl. She stated that HELEN NELSON GILLIS would obviously, if she had not already done so, contact JIMMY GILLIS as they were very devoted to each other and HELEN wanted to die at the same time JIMMY died; that both felt that they would be killed together. She stated that Carroll told her, on the occasion of his escape at Little Bohemia, that he was at the bar when the shooting started and he immediately made his escape out the rear of the building and went north. He had quite a bit of money on him at the time

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but he was practically broke at the time of his death and she stated that he claimed to have spent practically all of his money in the North after leaving Little Bohemia. I asked her the occasion for his spending money and she said it was necessary for him to spend money to keep people from reporting his whereabouts and to pay for the services which it was necessary for him to obtain. I asked her to whom this money had been paid and she stated that she did not know the name of any of the parties but that they were evidently local people north of Little Bohemia, but she did not know how far north.

While in Madison, a telephone call was received from Mr. Cowley at Chicago advising that a confidential informant of Mr. Larson had, while interviewing PAT CHERINGTON, learned that some stolen bonds were in possession of someone in Madison who was interested in obtaining the probation for the three girls who had been placed on probation there. I conferred with Assistant United States Attorney Hanson, the only representative of the United States Attorneys Office in Madison on the day of this telephone call, and he informed me that outside of Attorney Newman from St. Paul, or Minneapolis, RABE RILEY and Attorney Hill of Madison, he knew of no one who had interested themselves in obtaining this probation and that, in fact, he, himself, was surprised that two of the girls had entered a plea of guilty.

While talking with United States Attorney Ryan previously about the abuses of pardon, parole and probation powers, Probation Officer McGrath of Chicago telephoned Mr. Ryan while I was with him and informed him that MARION CONFORTI had left with VAN MEYER.

A communication which the St. Paul Office had received indicated that the C.W.A. funds, or P.W.A. funds, had been utilized in Wisconsin to make a reassessment of taxable property and it was suggested that special agents examine the charts which had been prepared by the assessors for the purpose of aiding in the location of the hideout house.

In this connection, I conferred with Mr. R.A. Tredgwick, supervisor of assessments, 402 Cantwell Building, Madison, Wisconsin. He advised that these charts were available at each county seat but that he had in his office the charts for Madison and Dane Counties. An examination was made of these charts in order to arrange for the organization of the assignment of agents to study such charts. It was ascertained that in only one town, and that a small village, had the diagrams prepared on the charts been prepared so as to show the

interior construction of the houses. Quite a bit of detailed information was shown with reference to these houses but, after examining a number of these charts, it was obvious that it would serve no real purpose to make an examination of these charts unless there was some suspected house to which entrance might not be easily obtained. Therefore, the agents were instructed not to spend any time examining these charts in a general way unless it became necessary to select a chart for a particular house and, in view of the pretexts which the agents are using, that of being C.W.A., or P.W.A., workers, water and electric meter readers, et cetera, it is felt that it would be quite unnecessary for even frequent reference to be made to the charts. It would require one agent in each county to spend several days' time examining the charts and it is not believed that the possible results would be worth this effort, particularly in view of the fact that the detailed information being sought does not appear upon the charts.

Mr. Tredimick agreed to be of any aid and assistance possible and stated that he, personally, would examine several thousand houses during the course of the next several months and the men working under his jurisdiction would, likewise, do similarly. I left with Mr. Tredimick, in accordance with the suggestion contained in the letter addressed to the St. Paul Office by Mr. Newby, a rough sketch of the interior construction of the house in which Mr. Bremer was held a kidnap victim. I also furnished Mr. Jenks, his assistant, and Mr. Tredimick a photostatic copy of the wall paper and a specimen of the color scheme appearing in the border of the wall paper in the house. I also left the telephone numbers of the St. Paul Office with Mr. Tredimick and Mr. Jenks and asked that the telephone be used to advise this office in the event any important discoveries were made.

Special Agents Hurley and Gross are in Madison and initiated a program of calling exchanges as well as all towns listed in the postal guide to propound questions as to the possibilities of sound existing in the various towns. Although all the questions were asked, immediate surveys are being made only in those towns where a siren and whistle are sounded simultaneously at or before noon each week day. To date, there have been twenty-two such towns located. These towns are located in the St. Paul Office territory in Southern Wisconsin and the telephone calls are likewise to be made in fifteen counties north of the first eleven called. Special Agents Gross, Hurley, and Noonan, are making investigations in the various towns designated. As a matter of record, it is believed that this plan of using the telephone, although more

expensive, is more productive of results and leads toward the obtaining of more direct and specific information than the method of correspondence heretofore adopted.

Information had been received prior to my departure from St. Paul that PEARL ELLIOTT, one of DILLINGER'S contacts, was in Madison, using the name of MARGARET WILLIAMS. Sheriff Finn, at Madison, advised that he had been trying to get something on MARGARET WILLIAMS for the past two years. He has sent undercover men into her residence on the outskirts of Madison at the end of a blind street but had been unable to obtain any results through such efforts. Information was also received that this woman, MARGARET WILLIAMS, believed to be PEARL ELLIOTT, had a place which would afford a suitable hideout at Beaver Dam, Wisconsin. Discreet inquiries disclosed that the chief of police at Beaver Dam would probably not be interested in interfering with her activities. This was verified by an invitation given the chief to accompany us on a raid and he refused to do so after the house had been looked over. Agents Gross and Hurley, Sheriff Finn, and myself raided the house in Beaver Dam and discovered it to be a house of prostitution. Fingerprints were taken of the inmates and investigation was made of the premises without any evidence of value on the DILLINGER or BREMER cases. Inmates of the house were shown a photograph of PEARL ELLIOTT on the Chicago Police Circular and all of them were firm in their statements that MARGARET WILLIAMS, although equally as ugly, was not identical with PEARL ELLIOTT.

It was then decided to make sure on this point as MARGARET WILLIAMS' house was raided by the same parties in Madison and there, too, it was found to be a house of prostitution and Sheriff Finn threw the three girls, practicing prostitution in this house, in the county jail and made an arrest of the man in charge of the house for whom he already had a warrant. MARGARET WILLIAMS was not there but has, since, made overtures to contact agents of the Division outside of Dane County, where Sheriff Finn would not have jurisdiction, in order to prove that she is not identical with PEARL ELLIOTT. The inmates of the Beaver Dam houses of prostitution stated that MARGARET WILLIAMS had been aware for some time that she was suspected of being an associate of DILLINGER and this caused her considerable concern because, although she was not guilty, it was feared that the Federal agents might interfere with her operations locally. They did.

Concerning the Ford automobile which was left near Portage, Wisconsin, by "BABY FACE" NELSON and his wife while they, together with CARROLL and JEAN CROMPTON were proceeding to Little Bohemia, United States Attorney Ryan, at Madison, advised that, in view of the fact that HELEN GILLIS had left and violated her probation, a bench warrant has been is-

for her arrest, and in view of the further fact that the automobile had been registered under a fictitious name in St. Paul, Minnesota, he felt that there would be no likelihood of the GILLISES either directly or indirectly, or through their attorneys, ever being able to obtain possession of this car and he would gladly resist vigorously all efforts in this direction. He advised that he felt that it would be safe to make the necessary repairs to this car so that it could be used for the Government. This information was furnished Special Agent in Charge Ladd who will communicate with the Division, giving an estimate as to the amount of repairs necessary and requesting authorization to make the necessary expenditures.

Very truly yours,

MHC:TC

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M. H. CLEGG, INSPECTOR.

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR

Division of Investigation

U. S. Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

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| Mr. Nathan | |
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| Mr. Clegg | |
| Mr. Cowley | |
| Mr. Egan | |
| Mr. Gurnea | |
| Mr. Harbo | |
| Mr. Hendon | |
| Mr. Jones | |
| Mr. Quinn | |
| Mr. Tamm | |

MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR

In connection with the phone call from Mr. Clegg to you today, wherein he stated that he was in receipt of a letter from one Ed Williams, Little Rock, Arkansas, indicating that a former prosecutor of Arkansas is now serving a sentence in the Oklahoma State Penitentiary, having been convicted on a charge of harboring kidnapers, please be advised that I have no personal recollection of a former County Attorney in Arkansas who is serving a sentence under the above circumstances. There is, however, a memorandum in the Kanmo case, submitted by Special Agent L. M. Chipman, dated September 16, 1933 at Little Rock, Arkansas, wherein he states that an informant advised him that a former prosecuting Attorney, whose name he believes to be Fred Green, is an associate of Charles Arthur "Pretty Boy" Floyd. There is nothing in the memorandum to indicate that Green has been prosecuted and I caused the files of the Identification Unit to be checked under this name, as well as the index of the Division. An examination was also made of the list of gangsters submitted by the Oklahoma City Office, without locating the name of any individual who may be serving a sentence under the circumstances above related. I requested Mr. Coffey to examine the personal appearance sheets submitted by the Oklahoma City Office and he furnished me with the following names of known kidnapers who have an Oklahoma State Penitentiary record:

W. A. McClatchey, #20207
R. G. Williams, #27364
Troy White, #26740
Eddie Clanton, #17669

The above names were checked with the Division index without success, these individuals apparently being subjects of State kidnaping cases.

Incidentally, Langford P. Ramsey is an attorney who was prosecuted and received a sentence of two years and six months in

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connection with his harboring George "Machine Gun" Kelly. The file does not show where Ramsey is serving his sentence but it is presumed that he was sentenced to the Leavenworth Penitentiary.

Respectfully,

R. E. Newby
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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. EDEY

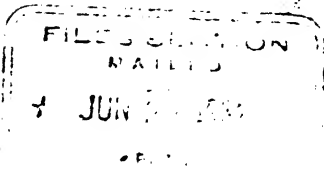
During telephonic conversation this morning, Mr. Clegg stated he had in his possession a letter which had just been received by Edward Bremer from one Ed Williams, Fort Smith, Arkansas, stating that there is a prisoner serving time in the Oklahoma State Penitentiary, for harboring a gang of kidnapers, who was formerly a county official. It was stated in this letter that this prisoner has information as to how to locate the kidnapers of Bremer. Mr. Clegg stated he had just called the Oklahoma City Office on this matter, but that he thought possibly the files here might indicate what county official in Arkansas had been sentenced for harboring this particular gang. He suggested that if information in this regard is found here, it might be well to transmit it to the Oklahoma City Office for its information.

Will you please take care of this matter.

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

Director.



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Special Agent in Charge,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
190 Bankers' Building,
Chicago, Illinois

Re: VERNON C. MILLER with aliases, deceased;
RICHARD TALLMAN GALATAS with aliases -
FUGITIVE, I.O. #1201; CHARLES ARTHUR
FLOYD with aliases - FUGITIVE, I.O.
#1194; et al Conspiracy to Deliver Fed-
eral Prisoner
and
ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I.O. #1218;
ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases, I.O. #1219;
EDWARD GEORGE BREMER - Victim;
Kidnaping

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter dated June 16, 1934, concerning Cadillac Sedan, Motor #1001172. From inquiry made of W. A. Moore, Auditor of the Automobile License Division, State Revenue Department, it was ascertained that the aforementioned automobile has not been registered in the state of Arkansas during the year of 1934.

Very truly yours

E. E. CONROY
Special Agent in Charge

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| REPORT MADE AT: St. Paul, Minn. | DATE WHEN MADE 8-22-34 | PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 6/1 to 6/34 | REPORT MADE BY: D.L. Nicholson | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| TITLE: ALVIN KARPIS, with aliases, I.O.#1218; ARTHUR R. BARKER, with aliases, I.O.#1219; et al. EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim. | | | CHARACTER OF CASE: KIDNAPING | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:</p> <p>Investigation conducted at the following towns in Wisconsin in an effort to locate the hideout:</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>Abbotsford</td> <td>Soldiers Grove</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Nekoosa</td> <td>Prairie du Chien</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Lake Tomahawk</td> <td>and</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Highland Center</td> <td>Iowa City, Iowa.</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Potosi</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>McFarland</td> <td></td> </tr> </table> | | | | Abbotsford | Soldiers Grove | Nekoosa | Prairie du Chien | Lake Tomahawk | and | Highland Center | Iowa City, Iowa. | Potosi | | McFarland | |
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| <p>REFERENCE: Report of Special Agent D.L. Nicholson, St. Paul, Minnesota, dated June 15, 1934.</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <p>DETAILS:</p> <p>This is a joint report of the various Special Agents assigned to this case at St. Paul, Minnesota, covering investigation conducted in an unsuccessful effort to locate the KARPIS hideout:</p> <p>COPIES DESTROYED 848 MAR 22 1965</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent J. E. Brennan at Abbotsford and Nekoosa, Wisconsin:

HIDEOUTABBOTSFORD, WISCONSIN:

Interview was had with MR. E. T. KETCHAM, Postmaster, who stated that a siren sounded at the Whitehouse Milk Company each day around noon, but no whistle is blown in Abbotsford; that there are but two trains daily on the Soo Line, 4:00 A.M. and 10:26 A.M., but no gas or electric cars are run on this railroad. The Northland buses passing through Abbotsford are not equipped with air whistles. There is no running water in any of the homes in Abbotsford.

MR. M. HILLS of the Whitehouse Milk Company stated that a siren is sounded on the condensery at twelve noon and 1:00 P.M. daily, and such schedule was maintained during the time that victim was held.

WILBUR KUEHNASTA, meter reader for the Northern States Power Company covering this territory, stated that he knows of no house which would fit the description given by victim. There are three churches, the Lutheran, St. Bernard's Catholic Church, and Presbyterian Church in town, but none of them ring a bell on Saturday.

Photographs of suspects were shown at the Beil Mercantile Company, William Bogar Bakery, Fleischman Market, and at the Texaco, Diamond, and Pure Oil Company filling stations, without their having been identified.

NEKOOSA, WISCONSIN.

MR. J. E. BRAZEAU, Postmaster, stated that the only time the stationary siren is sounded at Nekoosa is on the first Monday of each month at

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6:00 P.M., calling for a meeting of the volunteer fire department, or in case of fire; that a whistle may be heard from the paper mill at 7:00 A.M., 12 noon, and 4:00 P.M.; that there are two trains on the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul at 5:30 A.M. and 5:37 P.M., and at 4:00 P.M. on the Soo and Northwestern to Wisconsin Rapids, but that there are no gas electric cars, and no buses running through Nekoosa.

ALEX STOTLEY, IRVING HINKLE, water meter readers, and LESLIE THESTAD, meter reader for the Northern Electric Power Company, stated that they knew of no house which would in any way fit the description as given by victim.

Photographs of suspects were shown at the Model Bakery, E. Brandt Market, Feckhelm Grocery, and at the Standard Oil, Mobile Gas, City Service, and Dixie filling stations, but none were identified as those of any persons seen at Nekoosa.

During the course of this inquiry it was ascertained that there are no church bells heard in Nekoosa on Saturday.

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The following investigation was made by Special Agent John E. Brennan at Lake Tomahawk, Wisconsin:

This village, population 100, is located about twenty miles north of Rhinelander, Wisconsin, on Highway 47, in a state forest preserve. Mr. R.H. Worth, postmaster, and proprietor of the general store, stated that he is personally acquainted with all of the inhabitants and that the conditions described by the victim do not apply here. There is no fire department and no stationary siren to be heard. There are no factories, but the state tuberculosis camp nearby has a steam whistle which is blown at 5:30 A.M., 7:00 A.M., 11:30 A.M., 12:00 M., and 11:00 P.M. daily. There are no church bells in the community and none can be heard from any other point. The Chicago and Northwestern Railroad operates trains arriving at 5:30 A.M., 9:24 A.M., 2:56 P.M., and 8:44 P.M., daily, except Sunday. None of the dwellings have running water. Photographs were exhibited at the Thunder Lake Lumber Company, Texaco and Standard Oil Filling Stations, and general store above referred to, without identification.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent R.T. Noonan under dates of June 11, 14, 15, 16, and 18, 1934:

JOE KELLY, postmaster, and FRANK WALSH, chief of police, advised that the siren in this town blows or sounds only in case of fire and at no other time except occasionally in the summer time at 7:00 P.M., when fire practice is held, this on Monday nights. This siren is operated from the telephone operator's office. From Mr. Kelly and various other parties it was learned that the Carnation Milk Company in Richland Center has a whistle which blows at 6:55 and 7:00 A.M., in the summer, and at 7:55 and 8:00 A.M., in the wintertime, and in the afternoon at 4:00 P.M., only, this being just short blasts. The city electric plant has a whistle which sounds at 9:00 P.M., each night, the evening curfew, and also in case of fire. Mr. Kelly and others advised that the Catholic Church bell rings daily at 7:00 A.M., 12:00 Noon, and 6:00 P.M., and that there are six other churches in the city with bells, but none of them are rung on Saturday only during the week. All can be heard on Sunday with about the same degree of sound. There are many planes that pass over at irregular hours. Formerly mail-plane made a regular trip over the town but does not do so any more and has not for some time. Richland Center is located on a branch of the Waukesha Railroad and the only trains are as follows: Out at 10:00 A.M., at noon; out at 2:00 P.M., and back at 5:00 P.M., these being mixed, the branch line being from Richland Center to Lone Rock, Wisconsin. Richland Center has a population of 3700 people. It is located on

U.S. Highway 14 and also on State Highway 80.

ROBERT STRANG, fire chief and superintendent of the city Light and Power Plant, advised that his records show that there were three fires in this town on January 28, 1934, one at 10:00 A.M.; one at 11:30 A.M.; and one at 12:30 P.M., and the fire siren sounded several times for each fire. In addition to the regular fire siren the whistle at the city electric plant, which is a steam whistle, can be operated with a slide so that it has a siren effect in case of fire. This whistle is blown regularly at 9:00 P.M. and is considered the evening curfew. Mr. Strang also advised that there is a box factory which blows a small whistle at 8:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M., but has only been operating for about six weeks. Mr. Strang advised that he has been associated with the city light company for about twenty years and that he formerly read meters and has installed and repaired hundreds of them and has been in most of the houses in Richland Center. None, however, answer completely the description of the hideout house. Upon later interview Mr. Strang advised that he had driven all over the town after first conferring with agent to see if any house that he was not acquainted with might answer the description but was unable to find any.

Dale Johnson, present meter reader, advised that he did not know any house that would answer the description, but advised that he would not be certain as there were about one thousand houses in this town and the companies records show fourteen hundred meters.

LOU TAINTOR, the man who reads the water meters, advised that he could not recall a house that would closely fit the description of the one sought but advised that Judge Fogle's house, this man being a former police justice and about seventy-five years of age, had a furnished basement but there was no bedroom or bathroom in this basement. This place was closely inspected from the outside and it is a small house which sets up on a terrace from the street making it necessary to go up about ten steps to reach the level of the house and then the basement is entered only after one first enters the house. Judge Fogle, his wife and two grown daughters reside in this house and there are no children around and no dogs. Mr. Taintor and others previously interviewed advised that on Court Street in this town there are some houses where it is necessary to go down some steps first before entering, at least on the lower floor. Only one house seemed to answer the description at all, this being rented by one, ART BERRI, who operates a restaurant and is a questionable character. He lives in the upstairs of this house which is about level with the street. Agent accompanied Mr. Taintor under the pretext of ~~checking~~ the water meter in this house. It

stands about ten feet off the street. The curb of the street ends just before this house is approached and one can go direct on a level to the front porch without taking any steps up. To the east side and starting from the sidewalk which runs by this house are about eight cement steps leading to a small cement platform in the rear and to a door entering the house on the east side near the south end. These steps are long steps, that is, such that a small stride can be taken on each step before going down the next one. In this house is a small kitchen, about six by eight, and a small living room directly north of the kitchen, the living room being about the same size as the kitchen. Both these rooms are papered but not with the pattern of the hideout. A door leading to the north out of the living room, that is, toward the street, leads into an unfinished part of the basement, with rafters protruding, also containing a furnace, coal bin and wooden stairway leading upstairs. There is no bedroom and no bathroom in this basement. The house next door was observed and it has only one large room furnished in the basement and there is no entrance to this basement by steps from the outside. These houses are on Court Street, are next to each other, and are referred to as the Lincoln houses.

MYRON EWERS and ED JACKETT, garbage haulers, both advised that they knew of no house in the town that might fit the description of the one sought except the above houses on Court Street.

CHARLES KRASKY and HERMAN DEITELHOFF, two of the men who were employed by the C.W.A. measuring houses for reassessment purposes, could recall no such house. They knew of some that could be entered by going down steps but the steps led into unfurnished basements and were the ordinary cellarways.

ED JAMES, furniture dealer, and who sells most of the wallpaper in this town, never handled the design in question but has had some very similar. WILLIAM FAINT of Burhams Drug Store, Pratt Brothers Hardware Dealers, also advised likewise they also being dealers in wallpaper.

FRANK HARTMAN, paper hanger, advised that he had handled a design close to this one but not exactly like it. LOU PECKHAM, another paper hanger, never used or saw the pattern.

SID OSTRANDER, paper hanger, advised that he had hung this identical pattern on some house in Richland Center in the past but could not recall what house he had put it on. He distinctly recalls the border and the paper itself. He further advised that at the time he put this on the

people who had it told him they got the paper from Sears Roebuck and Company. With reference to the houses on Court Street, he advised that he had papered these houses in the past but not with the pattern referred to herein. He promised to do his best to remember the house in which he had put this paper. Further search is being made by this agent for the house in question.

OSTRANDER advised that there was a house in Sparta, Wisconsin, which about nine years ago had a furnished basement, all papered, with at least one bed room, and which could be entered by going down five or six steps from the outside. There was at that time no driveway to the side of the house but there was an alleyway. He stated that there is or was also an entrance to the kitchen from the ground floor. At that time, nine years ago, one family lived downstairs and two lived upstairs. It is known as the old Burkum house and at one time FRED KANOBLE lived there. The house is now painted cream, trimmed in white. It has a big double garage in the rear. The house can be reached by going up Water Street north to Dodge and Davis Store, turning right there and across a cement bridge at the city market, and then a left turn and it is the third house north on the left hand side of the street. Search for and examination of this house will be made.

Inquiry was made at the following filling stations without results: Mobilgas, Fred Haveland, Skelly, Millard Station, Cities Service, Mr. Schneider, Standard, Mr. LaRue, Standard, Don Weiden, Cities Service, another Standard and Mobilgas, and the Mobilgas Station of Mr. Mitchell. Inquiry was made at the Dodge, Plymouth, Buick, and Ford Garages without result. Ray Guthrie of the City Service Company identified VOLNEY DAVIS as having been in his station this spring but could give no other details. At the Chevrolet Garage, Mr. Jones and three mechanics thought KARPIS bore a close resemblance to some one who had stopped there recently but the details could not be remembered. A bystander advised that the photograph of KARPIS looked exactly like the man who had just started tending bar at Johnie Martin's at the Birchwood Tavern, Prairie du Chien, Wisconsin. One LEO COLLINS, was located, he being a tavern proprietor and an enemy of MARTIN, and he advised that MARTIN was still at Mount Sterling, Wisconsin, and would be there at least until July 1, 1934, when his beer license runs out and he has been refused a new permit. COLLINS advised that MARTIN would do anything, but he does not know anything of MARTIN'S employees. KARPIS' picture looked familiar to COLLINS but he could not place this suspect.

Various business men who were available during the contacts made herein were interviewed for assistance in this matter but they could give no help nor could they make any identifications.

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Agent, in company with the postmaster, meter readers, and alone, covered this town on each street observing the houses outwardly but found none that might be considered as answering the description of the hideout house. Inquiry was also made at some of the tourist camps without obtaining any information of value.

At Potosi, Wisconsin.

MRS. ANDY HYMER, acting postmaster, advised that the siren in this town sounds at 12:00 noon only and at no other time during the day except in case of fire. There is, however, a brewery which blows a whistle numerous times during the day. The hours of the blowing of this whistle were obtained from other parties, these hours being 7:00 A.M., 12:00 Noon, and 5:30 P.M., but as this brewery is located one mile down the valley from the town the whistle is seldom heard inside of doors. The main line of the Burlington Railroad runs through the town, Mrs. Hymer advising that most of the fast through trains go by between 12:00 midnight and 4:00 A.M.. From personal observation it was noted that the railroad is about two miles from the center of this small town and from inquiry it was established that trains are seldom heard except, by their whistle, and sometimes not at all, in the center of the town. Potosi has a population of about 450 people and while the town has electric lights there is no water system. Mrs. Hymer advised that there are two churches with bells in the town, the Catholic and the Congregational Church, and that these two bells are rung on Sunday but not on Saturday or at any other time during the week, except occasionally on Sunday afternoon and evening when there is some special service. This postmaster could not think of any house in the town or vicinity that would answer the description of the hideout house.

C.W. SCHROEDER, who had charge of the C.W.A. work recently in measuring houses for reassessment purposes, advised that he personally inspected all the houses in the town and that none would fit the description of the one sought. There are no furnished basements in this town. He also advised that there are very few houses in the town which have one bathroom and none that he knows of that have two. Those that have them, as his own, have a private force system of their own and the water does not have much force. Mr. Schroeder further advised that there have been no houses for rent in this town since the return of beer in April, 1933, and that there have been no strangers who stayed more than a day or two. He advised that at his home which is on the east edge of town he cannot hear the trains on the Burlington Railroad unless the wind is in the west. He advised that there are airplanes which pass over the town occasionally. However, it should be noted that this town is only about fifteen miles from Dubuque, Iowa, by air, and there is a large airport in Dubuque. Potosi is located

in a valley and is a mile off any main highway, the only one close being U.S. 51, which runs about a mile east of the town. Mr. Schroeder advised that he can hear the Catholic Church bell at Tennyson, about two miles away, when the wind is in the east, and that this bell rings at 7:00 A.M.; 12:00 Noon; and 6:00 P.M., each day.

LEO STOHL, proprietor of the Chrysler Garage, and also the party who reads the electric meters in Potosi, advised that he knows every house in this town and that none would fit the description of the hideout house. Mr. Stohl was unable to identify any of the suspects whose pictures were shown to him. With reference to the ringing of the church bells, Mr. Stohl advised that the Catholic Church rings bells at the following hours on Sunday: 9:30; 9:50 A.M.; also 7:30-7:50 A.M., the year around, and the Congregational Church rings its bell at 10:30 A.M., in the winter and 9:30 A.M., in the summer, on Sundays. The bells in Tennyson, Wisconsin, can be heard down town in Potosi only occasionally and then one must be outside, according to Mr. Stohl.

MRS. JAKE AMIS, who hangs most of the paper that is hung on a commercial scale in Potosi, advised that she had never hung any paper of the pattern shown to her, and never saw any similar paper on any room.

J.A. SEATON, business man, advised that he sold about all the paper that was sold locally in Potosi and never handled the type which was shown to him and never hung any of a similar kind, he advising that he occasionally hangs paper.

WALTER DURLLEY, proprietor of a clothing and general store, could not recall ever having had any dealings with any of the suspects in this case.

Inquiry was made at the White Rose, Koolmotor, and Standard Oil Stations, the only ones in town, and also at the other garage, the Chevrolet Garage, without securing any information concerning the suspects in this case, after displaying photographs.

Agent personally covered the town without finding any house that appeared to answer the description of the hideout house.

At McFarland, Wisconsin.

T.B. Ottum, postmaster, advised that there is no fire siren in this town, but that there is only a bell. There is a siren on the fire truck but this is not used except in case of fire and the using of the truck. The bell is operated from the office of the telephone operator, which was later verified, and this bell tolls three strikes at noon, the same at 6:00 P.M.,

and also at 9:00 P.M., the latter being considered the surfew. There is no factory whistle, or whistle of any kind, in this town. McFarland is about eight miles from Madison, has about three hundred people, and is about one half mile from United States Highway #51, and is located on County Trunk Highway M. Mr. Ottum advised that there are numerous trains through the town as it is situated on the Milwaukee Railroad line that runs through Northern Wisconsin, through Northern Iowa, to the Black Hills. There are passenger trains at the following hours: Eastbound 5:55 A.M.; 8:42 A.M.; 9:40 A.M.; 5:10 P.M.; Westbound, 8:42 A.M.; 12:02; 6:33, and 9:09 P.M. There are four regular freights, numbers 161, 163, 168, and 164. Mr. Ottum advised however, that there are no church bells which ring on Saturday afternoon; that there are two which can be heard on Sunday morning. He further advised that the town has no waterworks and that bathrooms in the town are very few. He knows of no house that has two bathrooms and knows no house that would in any way fit the description of the hideout house although he has lived practically all his life in McFarland. Mr. Ottum made inquiry of a few parties who came into the postoffice, some of whom own cottages on Lake Waubesa, part of which cottages are within the limits of this town.

TED THOMPSON, local hardware store proprietor, who had charge of the C.W.A. work measuring the houses in this town for reassessment purposes, advised that there was no house in this town which would answer the description of the hideout house.

AUGUST YANKE, telephone exchange operator, and who formerly read the electric meters in this town, could not recall any house that might answer the description of the one sought.

The only paper hanger in the town, JOE McFARLAND, was out of town for the day but due to the other circumstances it does not appear that he can offer any information. Of the parties interviewed none could make any identification of the pictures shown to them. Filling station proprietors, likewise, could offer no information of value. Postmaster Ottum, as a point of information, is suspicious of a letter he has mailed June 7, 1934, at Shell Lake, Wis., for "Mr. Earl Hamilton", McFarland, Wis., who is unknown and who has not called for the letter.

At Verona, Wisconsin.

J.F. Matts, postmaster, advised that Verona is a town of about 450 people, is ten miles from Madison, Wisconsin, has a siren which sounds at 12:00 noon and 6:00 P.M., each day, not sounding at any time in the morning except in case of fire. There is only one railroad, a branch line of the Chicago and Northwestern, which has a passenger train at 8:10 A.M. and

3:40 P.M., and a freight at about 10:00 A.M., and 3:00 or 4:00 P.M., none of which stop long or do any large amount of switching in this town. There are two churches which ring bells on Sunday and there are two school bells on week days. The Lutheran Church bell rings every other Saturday at about 6:00 P.M. It is noted that others later advised that there are three bells in Verona, namely, the Catholic, Lutheran, and Baptist, and that the Lutheran Church rings one the Saturday preceding the Sunday on which services are held, this being every second Sunday. Planes go over the town often but at irregular intervals. Mr. Matts advised that there are no houses that can be entered in the manner described for the hideout house. He also advised that the city water was just put in in Verona in the fall of 1933 and is just being completed and that many places do not have it yet and few, if any, have two bathrooms or toilets.

WERNER TASHER, who had charge of the measurement of houses for reassessment purposes recently advised that he had been in every house in Verona and that none of them have furnished basements or entrances to furnished floors as described by Victim Bremer. Mr. Tasher was assessor in this little town for many years also.

W.R. HINRICHES, proprietor of the general store, advised that he also sells wallpaper and hangs much of the paper also; that he never saw or handled any paper of the pattern displayed to him. Mr. Hinrichs advised that he read the meters for years in Verona and has been in every house and that none answer the description of the hideout house. Casper Kahn of Belleville, Wisconsin, now reads the meters in Verona.

MRS. JOHN SCHETTLER and CLARA MAURER, telephone operators advised that they sound the siren in this town from their office at 12:00 Noon and 6:00 P.M., and not in the morning. They could offer no other information.

H.C. GENTZ, paper hanger, advised that he now hangs most of the paper in Verona that is done on a commercial scale and that he does not recall ever having handled the pattern displayed to him. He is also acquainted with the entrances to each house in Verona and advised that none would answer the description of the house sought.

Inquiry was made at the Batker Brothers Garage, the Chevrolet Garage, and the Barnsdall, Standard, and Johnson Brothers Stations; R.P. Burgenske of the latter station was certain that DAVIS had been in this station about two weeks ago with some other party in a coupe, but other than that he could offer no information.

Inquiry at Verona developed that the County Poor Farm and Asylum is located less than a mile out of town and that the whistle there is blown at the following hours, each sound being only a short blast; 5:00 A.M. (two blasts); 5:45 A.M., 6:00 A.M., 11:45 AM, 12:00 Noon, 5:45 P.M., 6:00 P.M., and 8:00 P.M..

Agent drove around the town and personally observed each house and found none that appeared to answer in any way the description of the hideout house.

At Soldiers' Grove, Wisconsin.

DONALD C. McDOWELL, postmaster, advised that the siren in Soldiers' Grove is sounded daily except Sundays, at the hours of 7:00 A.M., 12:00 Noon, and 6:00 P.M.. There is also a creamery whistle which sounds at the same hours although this is a little irregular in that sometimes it is forgotten and does not sound. Agent heard both while in this town and at noon they were sounded about the same time, the creamery whistle continuing a short time after the siren. This is on a branch line of the Milwaukee Railroad, which runs from LaFarge to Wazeka, a train going down at 9:20 A.M., and back about 4:00 P.M., these hours being irregular as this is a mixed train handling freight. There are three church bells in town and they all ring on Sunday but not on Saturday as a regular custom and only when there is something unusual going on. There are three Lutheran Churches about four miles out of town and located only a mile apart but their bells are not often heard in this town. Airplanes pass over the town at irregular intervals. The town has a population of 710 people, and is located on U.S. Highway #61. No house in the city would answer the description of the one sought according to Mr. McDowell.

S.M. BERGH, who had charge of the recent measuring of houses for reassessment purposes felt certain that no house in this town would answer the description of the one sought. He stated that he has lived here for forty years and has helped to build a good share of the houses and has been in each personally and knows most all of them.

JAP NEWTON, electric meter reader also felt certain that no house in the town would answer the description of the one sought. None of the men interviewed knew of any furnished basement or any floor that could be entered as Victim Bremer described. Mr. Newton advised that this was true also of Gays Mills, Seneca, and Eastman, all in Wisconsin, and nearby in which towns he also reads the meters.

BRANT HILL, water meter reader and city marshal, advised the same as Mr. Newton, stating that he knew every house in the town and none would answer the description.

PETER FOSS, paperhanger who does most of this work in this town, advised that he had never handled the pattern shown to him. Mr. Myra of the Myra Drug Store, who handles and is familiar with the various types of paper around the town, also advised that he did not think any of this paper would be found in Soldiers' Grove.

Inquiry was made at the Ford, Chevrolet, and Farmer Garages without obtaining any identification with the pictures which were displayed. Similar inquiry was made at the Mobilgas, Pure Oil, and two Standard Stations, inquiry being made at all the stations in town. CHRIS HALVERSON and his son at the Cities Service Station were positive that they had seen DAVIS in this station recently and also thought that they had seen FRED BARKER but could place no time or other circumstance with the appearance of these men. One of the Standard Stations has the only cabin camp of the town in connection with it and photographs were displayed at the station to the attendants thereof without obtaining any information of value. Agent covered all the streets in town, inspecting the houses, front and rear, without noting any that would answer the description of the hideout house.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent T. J. Dodd:

On May 30, 1934, MR. J. FENNEY, Postmaster at Prairie du Chien, Wisconsin, was interviewed. MR. FENNEY was shown photographs of suspects in this case and failed to identify any of them as persons he had seen in the Post Office at Prairie du Chien. MR. FENNEY showed the photographs to the various clerks employed in the Post Office, who were also unable to identify them. All the known aliases of the suspects were given to MR. FENNEY and he found that no such names were on record in the Post Office as having received mail in the General Window or any particular address.

At the offices of the electric light and power company located in Prairie du Chien, the writer interviewed MR. LECHNER, who is the sole meter reader for that company. He selected the pictures of WILLIAM WEAVER and C. D. HARRIS as individuals whom he believes he has seen in the vicinity of Prairie du Chien. He was unable to amplify his statements, however, nor could he place the time or the date on which he believes he saw these individuals.

In discussing the description of the hideout with LECHNER, he advised that to his knowledge, there is only one house in that vicinity that would answer the description of the house used as a hideout and that is the house occupied by MR. ZEIL located at 111 North Main Street, Prairie du Chien.

Accordingly, agent visited the premises under the pretext of insurance salesman seeking to insure the premises against fire loss. He observed that in some respects, the house did answer the description. However, it is a one-family house with electrical facilities only in the upper portion; furthermore, the basement walls were plastered and the general layout of the basement was not at all similar to the place described by Victim BREWER. Further investigation revealed that MR. ZEIL is a man who has lived the greater part of his life in Prairie du Chien, works in a factory near at hand, has a large family, and is known as an industrious and conscientious person.

Former Fire Chief MARR was interviewed and he advised that on January 28, 1934, there was a fire in the town of Prairie du Chien at approximately 3:00 p.m.; he further advised that a stationary fire siren is blown only at 12:00 noon and at no other time and that this practice has been in effect ever since the siren was purchased some years ago.

During the time agent was in Prairie du Chien, he observed that a factory whistle blows at 8:55, 11:55 and at 4:55.

A canvass of the gas stations located in Prairie du Chien reflected that at the Perfect Oil & Gasoline Station, operated by MR. CLEM VOTH, the proprietor picked out the pictures of FRED and DOC BARKER as individuals who had called at this station off and on during the past three months and that they were supposedly driving a new Ford Sedan. MR. VOTH further stated that approximately May 27th at about six or seven o'clock in the evening, this car was at his station and it bore Oklahoma license plates 309A700 and that he believed the same two men were in the car; that they picked up two girls by the name of MESSLING.

Subsequently, agent interviewed the MISSSES MESSLING at their home at 203 Fisher Street, Prairie du Chien. They advised that as stated above, they accepted a ride with the strangers, and on being shown photographs of various suspects, both girls selected a picture of VOLNEY DAVIS as the driver of the car. They were unable to identify the other occupant; however, they stated that the two men drove them outside the city limits to the vicinity of the Prairie du Chien Cemetery; that they parked for a while and later returned to the city. They stated that the men gave the name of GEORGE ALLEN of St. Louis and that the man they identified as VOLNEY DAVIS gave the name of BOB HANSON. They both stated they were stock salesmen and that they were on their way to La Crosse, Wisconsin. The girls stated that they had not seen these individuals since and did not expect to see them again.

A check of four other gas stations in the vicinity of Prairie du Chien reflected that the attendants selected the pictures of VOLNEY DAVIS and the BARKERS who they believed had purchased gas from them during the last two or three months.

It was ascertained that the Mississippi River is the nearest water to Prairie du Chien. Agent made frequent trips along the banks of the river in the vicinity of Prairie du Chien for the purpose of observing cabins located there and learned that none of the cabins were equipped with electrical facilities and none of them have basements and practically all of them are occupied by well known citizens of Prairie du Chien.

A check was made of the various grocery stores in Prairie du Chien, with negative results.

It may be noted, however, that a gasoline train passes through Prairie du Chien each afternoon and it blows a horn similar to that described by Victim BREMER.

At the railroad stations in Prairie du Chien, the writer was advised that all trains passing through Prairie du Chien make a stop there, that there is a little switching done in the vicinity of the town, and that the regular passenger trains pass at 2:04 a.m., 2:55 a.m., 1:26 p.m., 4:49 p.m., 1:20 a.m., 3:56 a.m., 12:47 p.m., 10:35 p.m., 11:53 p.m., 4:26 a.m., 1:23 p.m., 2:11 a.m., and that the local gasoline train arrived at Prairie du Chien at 11:12 a.m., 6:00 a.m., and at 6:30 p.m.

At the Henry Kozelka Hardware Store, the writer exhibited samples of wall paper and was advised by the proprietor that he had never seen wall paper of similar design; that at the Prairie City Furniture Company, the writer was similarly advised.

On June 1, 1934, at Iowa City, Iowa, the writer visited the offices of the Iowa City Light & Power Company and there interviewed the man in charge of the meter readers and made arrangements whereby various pictures were exhibited to all meter readers, but they were unable to identify said pictures. At the offices of the water company, the same pictures were also exhibited to the water meter readers, with negative results.

The Fire Marshal of Iowa City advised that in the course of a year, he visits practically all houses in Iowa City. After hearing the description of the hideout, he volunteered to aid the writer in locating said place and accordingly, accompanied this agent to approximately fifteen or twenty houses, all of which proved not to be the place sought for. He further advised that the fire siren is blown only when there is a fire and not at any regular time during the day.

The church bells in Iowa City correspond favorably with the ringing of bells heard by the victim during the time that he was held.

Factory whistles blow at the customary hours of 7:00 a.m., 12:00 noon, and 5:00 p.m., each day.

Trains pass through Iowa City frequently during the day and night, and there is very little switching done in the freight yards.

A check of the wall paper stores in Iowa City reflected that they are entirely unfamiliar with the pattern exhibited to them.

A check of the gasoline stations in Iowa City and vicinity failed to produce any identifications of the photographs of the known suspects in this case. The same situation prevailed in relation to small grocery stores in the suburbs.

At the United States Post Office, inquiry was made as to whether or not mail is being received by any of the suspects under their own names or their known aliases, with negative results. Pictures of the known suspects were shown to officials of the Post Office and to the clerks, but no identifications were made.

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CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

JUNE 25, 1934

Mr. H. H. Clegg, Inspector,
Division of Investigation,
U. S. Department of Justice,
P. O. Box 515,
St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dear Sir:

In re: ALVIN KARPIS with aliases, I. O. 1218;
ARTHUR R. BARKER with aliases, I. O.
1219; et al - EDWARD GEORGE BREMER, Victim
KIDNAPING - CHICAGO FILE NO. 7-82

This will advise you that this office has now
completed calling all of the towns in Wisconsin in this
district south of Green Bay. I am transmitting herewith
to the St. Paul office and to the Division, a copy of
the answers to the questions put to each chief operator
or to a prominent official in each of the towns called.
The counties covered are as follows:

Racine
Milwaukee
Waukesha
Kenosha
Walworth
Green Lake
Sheboygan
Wausau

Manitowish
Winnebago
Washington
Dodge
Ozaukee
Marquette
Fond du Lac

It is observed that no town has been found fitting
the description of the hideout town.

Very truly yours,

S. P. COMLEY

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